

Minute No. 807

Washington County Commissioners

Washington, PA, January 18, 2007

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in a regular session in the Public Meeting Room, Courthouse Square, Washington, Pennsylvania, with the following members being present: Commissioners Larry Maggi, Bracken Burns and Diana L. Irey. Also being present: Scott Fergus, Director of Administration; Mary Helicke, Chief Clerk; Lynn DeHaven, Solicitor; Linda Belcher, Administrative Assistant; Joy Sprowls and Joann Metz, Commissioners' Office; Tim Kimmel, Director of Human Services; Melanie Finney, Planning Commission; Tim McCullough, Director of Human Resources; Jeff Felton, Director of Children and Youth Services; Mary Lynn Spilak and Debbie DeStefano, Aging Services; Tim Kimmell, Human Services; Harry Wilson, Veterans Director; Father Ed Czemerda and Father George Shortos, Catholic Schools; Manual Yoccolano, Mon Valley Leathernecks; Ross Cecchine, American Legion 25th District; Kathy Costantino, Sister Martha Baier of Madonna Catholic School and a group of students representing Madonna Catholic School and Ave Maria School; Michelle Richter, principal Ave Maria School; Flo Moffit and Ron Crouse, TRIPIL; Harlan Shober, Harry Sabatasse, Frank Pattera, John Adams, Jerry Seaman and Carl Maggi, interested citizens; Barbara Miller, Observer-Reporter and Jim Jefferson, WJPA.

Co-Chairman Maggi called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 a.m.

Father Ed led the meeting with a prayer.

Mr. Yoccolano led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Co-Chairman Maggi entertained a motion to approve Minute No. 806 dated January 4, 2007 as written.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving Minute No. 806 as written.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irey – Yes; Mr. Burns – Yes; Mr. Maggi – Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Commissioners read a Proclamation declaring January 28 – February 2, 2007 as “Catholic Schools Week” in Washington County.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, adopting the foregoing Proclamation.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irey - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Kathy Costantino accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Board for this recognition. She also stated it is an honor to be at the meeting to celebrate Catholic Schools Week and highlighted some events that will take place during the week of celebration.

Principal Richter commented on the importance of this year's theme “Good News in Education” and recognized the school representatives who were present at the meeting.

The Commissioners presented a certificate of appreciation to Ross Cechine of the American Legion who accepted the certificate on behalf of the Sons of American Legion Post 643 for all the group's hard work and dedication in supporting a number of activities and organizations.

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Mr. Cechine thanked the Board for the certificate and commented about the Sons of American Legion and the many activities they are involved with in the community.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Frank Paterra, Mayor of Charleroi, again asked the Board to consider his four-point plan to fight the war on illegal drugs in the County. He also asked the Board to prioritize drug enforcement and to allocate additional funds for the drug task force.

Harry Sabatasse, of Burgettstown, questioned the Board as to when action would be taken to stop the elected officials' pay raises. He also read from a prepared statement the positives and negatives the Board of Commissioners have accomplished in the past few years.

John Adams, of Avella, commented on government and the many problems that exist with the budget and the spending of taxpayers' money.

OLD BUSINESS

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board award the bid for the elevator maintenance for all County facilities to Eastern Elevator Service and Sales, Windber, PA. This is a five-year contract effective February 15, 2007 through February 14, 2012 with the option to extend for an additional five years through February 14, 2017.

This is a full-service maintenance contract which covers elevators at the Courthouse, Courthouse Square, Family Court Center, Correctional Facility and Health Center. The total cost for the first five years is \$179,640 and the total cost for the second five year term is \$221,940.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, awarding the bid for the elevator maintenance for County facilities as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irey - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board extend the bid for the following gasoline contracts through February 28, 2008.

Delivered Gas from Zappi Oil & Gas, Inc. Washington PA
Pumped Gas from Guttman Oil Co., Belle Vernon, PA

This extension is in accordance with the original bid and has been agreed to by all parties. The total yearly cost is approximately \$25,000.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the foregoing extension to the gasoline contract.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irey - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board approve an extension to the bid contract with Martin Lambert, Monongahela for the repair of kitchen and laundry equipment at the Senior Citizen Centers. This portion of the contract will be extended through February 28, 2008 with the option to renew on a year-to-year basis through February 28, 2010. All work is performed on a time and material basis.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the extension to the contract with Martin Lambert as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irey - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board approve an extension to the following bid contracts for vehicle repairs and maintenance through February 10, 2008:

Contract #021605-3RM –

- Towing – Pancake Towing, Washington, PA
- Body Repairs – Meadowlands Collision Center, Meadowlands, PA

Contract#012605-3RM –

- Emissions – Pioneer Motors, Inc, Washington, PA

Contract#092006-2R&M

- General Repair & Air Conditioning – Nowak Commercial Refinishing, Amity, PA

The contract extensions are in accordance with the original bids and have been agreed to by all parties. All work is performed on a “time and material” basis.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the extensions to the contracts for vehicle repairs and maintenance as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irey - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a grant application for Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services through the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development. The grant, in the amount of \$150,000, is effective July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the foregoing grant application for Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irey - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval reappointments of Norma Wintermyer, Michael Silvestri, Bracken Burns and Larry Maggi to the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission for three-year terms effective January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2009.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the following reappointments of said individuals to the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irey - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

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Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the adoption of a Resolution implementing the National Incident Management System to provide a consistent nationwide approach for federal, state and local governments to work together more effectively and efficiently to prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from domestic incidents regardless of cause, size or complexity.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, adopting the foregoing Resolution for the Public Safety Department.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irey - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a Resolution adopting the Washington County Greenways and Open Space Plan as an addendum to the Washington County Comprehensive Plan.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, adopting the foregoing Resolution relating to the Washington County Comprehensive Plan.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irey - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a renewed agreement with the Pennsylvania Trolley Museum, Inc. to conduct educational tours of the Washington County Courthouse at a cost not to exceed \$4,000 for the period January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the renewal agreement with the Pennsylvania Trolley Museum, Inc. as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irey - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the adoption of a Resolution approving an agreement with Barbara DeWorken and Gail Wilson for the purchase of their property at 410 Moore Road, Washington (parcel number 590-012-00-00-0026-00) under the following terms:

\$220,000 cost to acquire 410 Moore Road

\$80,000 payment for the difference in value between acquired property and replacement property

\$100,000 payment for improvements to the replacement property to accommodate equine business

Incidental expenses for moving and utility connections

Costs will be paid 95% Federal, 2.5% State and 2.5% County funds (Aviation Block Grant)

This acquisition is made to remove an obstruction from the runway projection zone of the Washington County Airport.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the agreement with Barbara DeWorken and Gail Wilson for the purchase of property as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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Mrs. Irej - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the following list of providers for Child Care Information Services. The agreements will automatically renew until either party notifies the other party in writing of their intent not to renew under the current terms.

Lori A. Timlin, Cokeburg
Sharon Zets, Wahsington

Tanis R. Nakutis, Daisytown
Highland School, Inc., Marianna

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the list of providers for the Child Care Information Services as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irej - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval authorization to advertise for bids for a generator to be placed in the Public Safety Department. The total cost is estimated at \$109,000 and is being paid through the Wireless 9-1-1 grant.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving authorization to advertise for bids as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irej - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the adoption of a Resolution approving the Plan Revisions and Amendments to the Community Development Block Grant Program which is part of the County's Consolidated Action Plan.

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Mrs. Irej, adopting the foregoing Resolution.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irej - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a contract with Florida Consulting, LLC, of Pittsburgh, in the total amount of \$43,000 to develop specifications and managing the project regarding the partial roof replacement and restoration of the courthouse domes. The contract will be effective upon review/approval of the solicitor.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the foregoing contract with Florida Consulting, LLC.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irej - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An Executive Session was held on January 17, 2007, immediately following the Agenda Meeting as an information session related to personnel issues.

The annual Sinking Fund Meeting will be held immediately following today's Board of Commissioners' Meeting.

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SOLICITOR

Solicitor DeHaven presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the following tax refunds.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, that the Tax Assessment Office be authorized to prepare the following tax refunds due to either duplication or overpayment of real estate or personal property tax:

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| 1. | William & Elvira Graziani
1204 Lucia Drive
Canonsburg, PA 15317
District: Canonsburg Borough
Parcel No. 095-001-00-00-0003-04
Total amount: \$22.65 | 2006 County Tax |
| 2. | David & Amy V. Egan
105 Bittersweet Circle
Venetia, PA 15367
District: Peters Township
Parcel No. 540-002-12-00-0015-00
Total amount: \$199.23 | 2006 County Tax |
| 3. | Melani Anthony
114 Amber Wood Drive
Canonsburg, PA 15317
District: Cecil Township
Parcel No. 140-012-16-00-0070-00F
Total amount: \$333.77 | 2006 County Tax |
| 4. | Karen L. Kraus
341 Maple Road
Burgettstown, PA 15021
District: Cross Creek Township
Parcel No. 210-003-00-00-0015-00
Total amount: \$11.57 | 2006 County Tax |
| 5. | John G. & Lisa M Baccelli
21 Euclid Avenue
Monongahela, PA 15063
District: Carroll Township
Parcel No. 130-013-04-02-0003-00
Total amount: \$8.83 | 2006 County Tax |
| 6. | Wanetta McGrady
405 National Pike
Brownsville, PA 15417
District: Centerville 2 nd Ward
Parcel No. 152-021-00-03-0041-00
Total amount: \$182.18 | 2006 County Tax |
| 7. | John S. & Rebecca Diamond
250 Munce Ridge Road
Washington, PA 15301
District: South Strabane Township
Parcel No. 600-002-00-00-0013-06
Total amount: \$157.43 | 2006 County Tax |

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irej - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes; Mr. Maggi - Yes.

Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Co-Chairman Maggi declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:00 a.m.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL

January 26, 2007
 ATTEST: *Mary E Delicke*
 CHIEF CLERK