

MINUTE BOOK

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Minute No. 819

Washington County Commissioners

Washington, PA August 16, 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; JoAnn Metz, Sue Orrick and Joy Sprowls, Commissioners' Office; Tim Kimmel, Director of Human Services; Melanie Thomas, Planning Commission; Harry Wilson, Director of Veterans Affairs; Tim McCullough and Chelsey Hartzell, Human Resources; Michael Namie, Controller; Pastor Gary Schneider, North Ten Mile Baptist Church; George Ross, American Legion, Post 175; members of the American Legion; coaches of the Peters Township Baseball Team; Shane Rumbaugh Keystone Boys Qualifier; and his parents; John Adams, Frank Paterra, Harry Sabatasse, Steve Toprani, Cliff Cochran, and Mike Neville, interested citizens; Barbara Miller, Observer-Reporter; Jim Jefferson, WJPA.

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

Pastor Schneider led the meeting with a prayer.

Mr. Ross led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Co-Chairman Burns entertained a motion to approve Minute No. 818 dated July 19, 2007 as written.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving Minute No. 818 as written.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Commissioner presented certificates of congratulations to the coaches of the Peters Township High School Baseball team for capturing the AAAA WPIAL and AAAA Section 3 Championships.

The coaches thanked the Board for the certificates and stated the members of the team could not attend due to other commitments and noted they would distribute the certificates at a banquet in honor of the team.

The Commissioners presented to Shane Rumbaugh a certificate of recognition for becoming a Keystone Boys State Qualifier.

Mr. Rumbaugh accepted the certificate and thanked the Board for this distinguished honor. Shane gave a brief outline of the many activities and lectures he participated in while in Washington DC. He also thanked the American Legion for giving him the opportunity to be selected for this program.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

John Adams, of Avella, questioned when taxpayers will see property tax relief from revenue made by the recent opening of a casino.

Attorney Steve Toprani, a resident of Carroll Township and candidate for District Attorney, read from a prepared statement regarding the issue of the recent court decision directing Washington County to pay District Attorney John C.

Pettit in indemnification for a punitive damages judgment with fees and costs totaling \$100,000. Mr. Toprani strongly suggested that the Board should appeal this decision. He noted it is his opinion that the decision is without legal merit.

Mr. Toprani also expressed his shock and dismay in the way District Attorney Pettit has conducted himself regarding this matter. He stated this judgment should not be the responsibility of the taxpayers of Washington County, who are left holding the bag, because of the mismanagement of the Washington County District Attorney's Office.

Harry Sabatasse, of Burgettstown, again commented on the issue of elected officials receiving a pay increase. He noted the taxpayers of Washington County cannot afford higher taxes. He stated it is the Commissioners' job to look out for the taxpayers and not themselves.

Co-Chairman Burns noted that Washington County taxes are the second lowest in the region.

Mayor Frank Pattera of Charleroi again addressed the Board regarding the on-going problem of crime and drug activities in local communities. Mr. Pattera stated he would like to meet with elected officials and local municipalities to discuss what steps can be taken to tackle this dreadful problem that is plaguing the young and old citizens of Washington County.

OLD BUSINESS

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board award the bid for the provision of light fixtures for the Washington County Health Center to Tri-State Supply, Washington, PA at the per unit cost submitted in their bid proposal. This bid is in effect from date of award through December 31, 2007 at a total cost of approximately \$39,350.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, awarding the bid for the light fixtures for the Washington County Health Center as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board award the bid for printing and mailing of Real Estate Tax Notices for the Washington County Treasurer to National Data Services of Chicago, Inc., St. Charles, ILL. This bid will be effective from date of award through August 31, 2010 at a yearly cost of approximately \$10,130 plus postage.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, awarding the bid for printing and mailing of Real Estate Tax Notices as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board award the bid for the paint and paint supplies to Sherwin Williams Co., Cleveland Ohio. All items will be purchased from the local vendor located in Washington, PA. The bid will be in effect from August 16, 2007 through August 31, 2010 at a total yearly cost of approximately \$15,682 and all additional paints and supplies will be at a 35% discount from list price.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, awarding the bid for paint and paint supplies to Sherwin Williams Co. as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board approve a thirty (30) day extension on awarding of the bid for the paving at Cross Creek and Mingo Parks. This extension is pursuant to Act 142, Senate Bill 1154, and effective February 20, 2001. There were three bids received and all three vendors have agreed to the extension. The Planning Commission is in the process of contacting DCNR to determine if additional grant funds are available as the bids exceed the amount available in the current grant offer.

Moved by Mrs. Ireby, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing extension to the awarding of the bid for paving as Cross Creek and Mingo Parks as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DeHaven recommend the Board award the bid for the dome restoration to R.G. Friday, Inc. of Pittsburg, PA in the amount of \$570,048.

Moved by Mrs. Ireby, seconded by Mr. Maggi, awarding the foregoing bid for the dome restoration.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board reject all bids and authorize the rebidding of the wall protection for the Health Center. It has been determined the specifications need to be changed to provide a product that will better serve the purpose.

Moved by Mrs. Ireby, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the rejection of the bids for wall protection and authorizing the rebidding of such.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board approve an extension of the printing bid through August 31, 2008 to the following vendors:

Cane Print Solutions & Graphics, Atlasburg, PA

Harper Printer Service, Pittsburgh, PA

Masters Ink Corp, Canonsburg, PA

Office Max, Naperville, IL

Pegasus Printing, Inc./ d.b.a. Quality Quick Printing and Copy, Washington, PA

Progressive Forms & Label Systems, Inc., Harrisburg, PA

The vendors listed have agreed to the extension. Certain items will need to be rebid due to vendors not agreeing to the extension. The total amount of this contract is uncertain at this time as many of the items currently sent out for printing will be handled by the Planning Commission's Graphics Department.

Moved by Mrs. Ireby, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the extension of the printing bid as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a professional services contract with Kelly Stewart to provide community service projects to selected youth for the Juvenile Probation Department. The contract amount is \$2,300 and is provided through the Needs Based Budget.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing professional services contract with Kelly Stewart per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a grant agreement for the Emergency Shelter Grant Program and SWPA Legal Services in the amount of \$80,000. The grant agreement is effective July 20, 2007 through July 19, 2009. No County funds are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the grant agreement for the Emergency Shelter Grant Program as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a grant agreement in the amount of \$4,541.00 to conduct hazardous materials training for two members of the Hazardous Materials staff. The grant is effective through August 31, 2007. It is to be noted that costs that exceed the awarded grant amount of \$4,541 will be funded through the County's Hazardous Materials Fund, with no County funds involved.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the ratification grant agreement for the Public Safety Department as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval expenditures for Juvenile Court Day which will be held on October 15, 2007 at the Holiday Inn, Meadowlands. The total cost of the training program and luncheon is \$4,526.00 and is included in the Juvenile Probation budget.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing expenditures for the Juvenile Court Day.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an extension to the contract with Ryan Frazee to assist in the development of a pandemic annex to Washington County's Emergency Operations Plan effective

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through October 24, 2007. Funding in the amount of \$3,571.00 has been received from the Emergency Medical Services Institute to extend the current contract. No County funds are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the extension to the contract with Ryan Frazee as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval to adopt a resolution and indemnification agreement between the Washington County Redevelopment Authority, (grantee), Washington County and the Middle Monongahela Industrial Development Association, Inc. (sub-grantee). The Commonwealth will provide the grantee funds in the amount of \$1,000,000 for infrastructure for the Alta Vista Industrial Park. Washington County is required to authorize the Project and indemnify the Commonwealth and the sub-grantee will indemnify the County.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, adopting the foregoing resolution and indemnification agreement.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a travel request for Hugh White and John Curcio, Jr. of the Public Safety Department to attend required training in Pueblo, Colorado from October 28, 2007 through November 4, 2007. The cost of travel is estimated to be \$5,148.70 and is reimbursed through HMEP Grant.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the travel request for two staff members of the Public Safety to attend required training as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a travel request for John Curcio, Hugh White and Chris Burton to pick up new vehicles from the Hackney Corporation in Washington, North Carolina from August 29-30, 2007. The costs are estimated to be \$756.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing travel request for three staff members of the Public Safety Department.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a temporary construction license with Sandra L. and Terry L. Briggs in Smith Township to access and repair a drainage culvert on the panhandle trail through their property. The license also included a payment of \$1,000 for the inconvenience paid through FEMA funds.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing temporary construction license with Sandra L. and Terry L. Briggs.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an agreement with the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission for planning assistance under the 2007-08 program. The total amount of funds is \$17,784 which requires a county match of \$4,446.

Moved by Mrs. Ireby, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the agreement with the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission for planning assistance as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a grant application to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources in the amount of \$72,500 to install one new playground in Mingo Park and expand existing playgrounds in Mingo and Cross Creek Parks under the Growing Greener funds allocated to Washington County. The \$27,500 match will be provided through in-kind services with employees installing the equipment. The grant application includes a resolution from the Commissioners authorizing the application and specifying the signature authority of "Co-Chairman, Board of Commissioners."

Moved by Mrs. Ireby, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the grant application to the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources regarding new playground equipment as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the following fire service agreements for providing fire protection and safety inspections of County Parks:

Valley Inn Fire Company
Avella Fire Company
East Bethlehem Fire Company
Finleyville Fire Company

Each fire company will receive a payment of \$1,000 in 2007 and 2008. The agreements expire December 31, 2008.

Moved by Mrs. Ireby, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the fire service agreements for fire protection of County Parks as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an addendum to the existing lease with Aeronational for the Cherokee Hangar to increase the rent from \$8,789 to \$9,522 annually (\$.39/sq ft)

Moved by Mrs. Ireby, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the addendum to the existing lease with Aeronational as per above.

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Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a unitization agreement with Great Lakes Energy Partners encompassing 487 acres of Cross Creek Park to form a new consolidated unit with adjoining property owners not to exceed 600 acres for drilling operations. For this portion of the lease, Washington County agrees to accept in lieu of 14.5% oil and gas royalty, that portion of such 14.5% royalty which the unit acreage bears to the total number of acres comprising the unit.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the unitization agreement with Great Lakes Energy Partners for property located at Cross Creek County Park as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the newly drafted Employee Handbook. The handbook defers to any existing collective bargaining language already in force.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing Employee Handbook.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the following handbook/policies for the Human Resources Office. The handbook and policies defers to any applicable collective bargaining language already in force.

Washington County Handbook – referencing policies and procedures governing various aspects of employment.

Progressive Discipline Policy – for all union and non-union employees

Drug and Alcohol Policy – for all union and non-union employees

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing handbook/policies.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the submission of the 2007-08 Juvenile Probation Grant-in-Aid application to the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission. The amount of state funding anticipated for the current fiscal year is \$263,825.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the submission of the 2007-08 Juvenile Probation Grant – in-Aid application as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval and ratifies the following provider agreements 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.

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| Jessica Harvey, Washington | Brenda Spicer, Meadowlands |
| Trudy Wise, Washington | Linda L. Burt, Washington |
| Byron McCrae, Washington | Tracy Levith, Washington |
| Lynn A. Grabiak, Avella | Helen L. Henderson, Washington |
| Carla M. Axton, Charleroi | Tammy L. Nagle, Finleyville |
| Salina R. Lewis, New Eagle | Jane B. Herron, Washington |
| Linda Stallsworth, Donora | Alissa Nickeson Borso, Eighty Four |
| Amy Davis, Brownsville | Elizabeth Montgomery, Washington |
| Amy M. Watson, Eighty Four | Donna Russell, Slovan |
| Scott A. Maga, Sr., Canonsburg | Billie Klaus, Washington |
| Sandahl Barnes, Charleroi | |
| Alena Mathieu, Donora | |
| Susan Doyle, Eighty-Four | |

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

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval agreements with the following providers for the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2009, to provide homeless assistance services. No County funds are required.

Connect, Inc.	
Emergency Shelter Services	\$44,515
Transitional Housing	54,332
Washington Women's Shelter	
Transitional Housing	\$12,131
Emergency Shelter Services	28,769
Community Action Southwest	
Homeless Prevention	16,000
Interfaith Hospitality Network	
Emergency Shelter	4,000
SWPA American Red Cross	
Prevention and Case Management	<u>20,953</u>
TOTAL	\$180,700

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing provider agreements with said contractors for homeless assistance services.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an addendum to the following purchase of service contract for the period July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2007. No additional County funds are required.

	<u>From</u>	<u>Increase to</u>
Family Care for Children and Youth	\$ 235,000	\$ 270,000

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing addendum to the purchase of service contract for Children and Youth Services.

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Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval agreements with the following purchase of service providers for Children and Youth Services for the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. No additional County funds are required.

<u>PROVIDER</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
National Mentor Healthcare LLC, d/b/a Pa Mentor	\$ 200,000
Agape, Inc	100,000
Professional Family Care Services, Inc.	150,000
SPHS Behavioral Health – Host Family	55,000
Hermitage House Youth Services, Inc.	85,000
Western PA Childcare (Mid-Atlantic Youth Services)	65,000
Families United Network	50,000
SPHS C.A.R.E. Center	100,000
Try-Again Homes, Inc.	155,000
Florence Critton Programs, Inc.	150,000
Pressley Ridge	250,000
Diakon Lutheran Social Ministries, d/b/a Diakon Youth Services	50,000
White Deer Run	500,000
Summit Academy	600,000
Catholic Charities	110,400
Bridges and Pathways to the Future, Inc.	200,000
George Junior Republic	130,000
Community Specialists Corporation, d/b/a The Academy	75,000
Passavant Memorial Homes, Inc.	100,000
Harborcreek Youth Services	25,000
Adelphoi Village, Inc.	<u>2,500,000</u>
TOTAL	\$5,650,400

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the purchase of service providers for the Children and Youth Services Department as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval provider contracts for Mental Health/Mental Retardation Office for the period July 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. The total amount of the contracts is \$136,518. No additional County funds are required.

<u>AGENCY</u>	<u>MENTAL HEALTH</u>	<u>WAIVER-MR</u>
Howard Dichter, Dr.	\$90,000	
Pressley Ridge	10,000	
Turtle Creek		\$36,518

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing provider contracts for the Mental Health/Mental Retardation Office.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval to increase Room Rates as listed below at the Washington County Health Center effective October 1, 2007. No County funds are required.

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<u>SERVICE</u>	<u>CURRENT CHARGE</u>	<u>NEW CHARGE</u>
Skilled Care Private Room	\$210	\$235
Skilled Care Semi-Private Room	\$200	\$225
Nursing Services Private Room	\$190	\$220
Nursing Services Semi-Private Room	\$185	\$210

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the room rate increase at the Washington County Health Center 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 authorization to bid or purchase five (5) Automatic External Defibrillators (AED). These five units will be placed as follows: Courthouse, Courthouse Square, Family Court Center, Mingo Park and Cross Creek Park. Training on the use of the AEDs will be provided by Public Safety.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the authorization to bid or purchase five Automatic External Defibrillators as per above

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval authorization to bid portable poll access items to provide polling sites with more handicap accessibility. The Election Office has received authorization under HAVA Title II Section 261 for a grant in the amount of \$24,643.92 for these purchases. Some of the items are:

1. Mobi-mats to place on grass, sand, gravel or dirt areas to provide wheelchair mobility
2. 42" wide portable threshold ramps
3. 29" wide aluminum, lightweight, portable suitcase ramps that are hinged for folding so they can be carried like a suitcase.
4. Curb cut ramps for temporary installation
5. 36" wide pathway ramp/no handrails
6. Temporary signage, mounting post with bases.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the authorization to bid for necessary items for additional handicap accessibility to the County's polling places as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval authorization to advertise for bids for the GPS monitoring devices for adult offenders for the Adult Probation Office. It is to be noted proposed funding would come from the Treatment Court and RIP/ODPP grant funds along with a direct pay option being established between the vendor and defendant.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving authorization to advertise for bids for the GPS monitoring devices for the Adult Probation Office as per above.

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval to ratify the purchase of a Nextel phone with email capabilities for Gary Bertosh, Director of Building & Grounds. The monthly cost is approximately \$72 which includes 600 pooled cell phone minutes and unlimited direct connect within their calling group and unlimited data. The cost of the phone is \$199.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the purchase of a Nextel phone with email capabilities as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval authorization for the purchase five (5) Sierra 875 Air Cards for Mental Health/Mental Retardation caseworkers that work extensively in the field. Cingular service is at the cost of \$47.99/month and the air cards are free with activation.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the purchase of five Sierra Air Cards for Mental Health/Mental Retardation as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an addendum to the current contract with Michael Crabtree, PH.D, Licensed Psychologist, Washington PA for the purpose of providing pre-employment psychological evaluations for Washington County as directed by the Human Resources Department. The cost of this service is \$140/per applicant and is currently a requirement for all Sheriff's Deputies prior to employment.

Co-Chairman Burns noted that it is the will of the Board to include the Correctional Officers at the Washington County Correctional Facility to this contract.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the addendum to the current contract with Michael Crabtree, PH.D, Licensed Psychologist with the noted addition for pre-employment evaluations as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An Executive Session was held on August 15, 2007 immediately following the Agenda Meeting as an information session related to personnel and litigation styled John C. Pettit vs. Michael Namie et al in the Commonwealth Court of Pennsylvania.

County Offices will be closed on September 3, 2007 in observance of the Labor Day holiday.

A Salary Board Meeting and Retirement Board Meeting will be held immediately following the Commissioners' Meeting today.

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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. Maggi, authorizing the Tax Assessment Office to prepare the following tax refunds due to either duplication or overpayment of real estate or personal property tax.

1. Westover Prop IV 2007 County Tax
825 E. McMurray Road
Venetia, PA 15367
District: Peters Township
Parcel: 540-007-02-00-0001-00
Total: \$499.34

2. Hancock County Savings Bank 2007 County Tax
P.O. Box 245- 351 Carolina Avenue
Chester, WV 26034
District: Hanover Township
Parcel: 340-037-00-00-0009-13
Total: \$18.28

3. Goldfarb, Posner, Beck, DeHaven, & Drewitz 2007 County Tax
26 South Main Street, Suite 200
Washington, PA 15301
District: West Bethlehem Township
Parcel: 660-025-00-03-0003-01
Total: \$48.71

4. John W. Richman 2007 County Tax
P.O. Box 232
Washington, PA 15301
District: South Strabane Township
Parcel: 600-005-07-00-0011-00
Total: \$36.35

5. John W. Richman 2007 County Tax
795 E. Beau Street
Washington, PA 15301
District: South Strabane Township
Parcel: 600-005-07-00-0001-00
Total: \$194.91

6. Sandra L. & C. L. Hallam 2007 County Tax
1107 Stanton Street
Monongahela, PA 15063
District: Monongahela- Ward 3
Parcel: 440-022-00-02-0005-00
Total: \$340.26

7. Southpointe Golf Club 2007 County Tax
360 Southpointe Blvd.
Canonsburg, PA 15317
District: Cecil Township
Parcel: 140-010-00-00-0008-01
Total: \$24.57

8. Damon & Roberta Faldowski 2006 County Tax
10 Carriage Trade Drive
Washington, PA 15301
District: South Strabane Township
Parcel: 600-008-00-00-0001-10
Total: \$706.63

9. Kenneth J. & Karen A. Pintar 2004 County Tax
44 Calvert Street
Bridgeville, PA 15017
District: Cecil Township
Parcel: 140-012-00-00-0024-16
Total: \$72.25

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10. Jay Ann Noble
837 Buena Vista Street
Washington, PA 15301
District: Canton Township
Parcel: 120-011-08-04-0010-00
Total: \$218.99

2006 County Tax

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

There being no further business, Co-Chairman Burns declared the meeting adjourned at approximately

11:05 a.m.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL

September 4, 2007

ATTEST: Mary E Helicke
CHIEF CLERK