

Minute No. 769

Washington County Commissioners

Washington, PA, June 9, 2005

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in 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; Mary Lynn Drewitz, Solicitor; Linda Belcher, Administrative Assistant; Joy Sprowls, Sue Orrick and Joann Metz, Commissioners' Office; Captain Todd Hammond, Sheriff's Office; Phyllis Matheny, Prothonotary; Melanie Finney, Planning Commission; Reverend J. Andrew Scott, First Presbyterian Church; Harry Wilson, Veterans Director; Katie Skaggs, Dairy Princess; Marisa Wyeth, Dairy Princess Alternate; Loryn Wyeth, Abigail and Sarah Miles, Dairy Ambassadors; Bob Lusk, Marcella Dalverny, Harry Sabatasse, Fred Fleet, John Adams, Carl Maggi, interested citizens; Jim Jefferson and Emily Catalone, WJPA; Emily Eberkin, PA Focus; and Barbara Miller, Observer-Reporter.

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

Reverend Scott led the meeting with a prayer.

Mr. Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Co-Chairman Burns entertained a motion to approve Minute No. 768 dated May 26, 2005.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving Minute No. 768 as written.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Commissioners read a Proclamation declaring the month of June as "National Dairy Month".

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

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Katie Skaggs, Dairy Princess, accepted the Proclamation and thanked the Board for their support. Miss Skaggs stated some interesting facts regarding dairy products and the importance of farming in the Washington County area.

At this time, Co-Chairman recognized Mary Helicke, Chief Clerk and Scott Fergus, Director of Administration, for their assistance on Election Day. Commissioner Maggi explained they worked one of the polls in the City of Washington when poll workers did not show up for the election process. Commissioner Maggi thanked them for their dedication and willingness to help out in a time of need.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Fred Fleet, of Washington, again expressed his concerns regarding the issue of eminent domain and stated the Redevelopment Authority is trying to seize his property and this should be illegal. He stated what is being done to the old and poor citizens of the area is wrong and that the Black Caucus and ACLU is looking into this matter. Mr. Fleet noted there could be a class action suit filed against the Washington County Redevelopment Authority.

Harry Sabatasse, of Burgettstown, commented on his right to speak at the "public comment" part of the meeting. He stated he honors the servicemen who gave him this right to voice his opinion.

John Adams, of Avella, made comments regarding legislators receiving a pay raise and the veterans' cemetery.

Carl Maggi, of Claysville, stated that public officials should not have to take abuse from comments made by the public. He also commended the Board of Commissioners for the large crowds that attended Memorial Day services throughout the County.

OLD BUSINESS

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board reject the bid received for the Patio Entrance Renovation for the Washington County Health Center. Only one bid was received and the bid came in at approximately \$20,000 higher than expected.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Maggi, rejecting the bid for the Patio Entrance Renovation at the Health Center.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board authorize the extension of the bid for Law Enforcement Uniforms to M&M Uniforms, Inc., Bridgeville, PA for the Sheriff, Correctional Facility and 9-1-1. This extension would be effective August 1, 2005 through July 31, 2006 and is in accordance with the original bid contract. The total yearly cost is approximately \$60,000.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Maggi, authorizing the extension of the bid for Law Enforcement Uniforms as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the following two deeds of easement for temporary and permanent rights of way required to replace the Pigeon Creek # 2 bridge for Wall Street located in Monongahela.

Helen A. Filippelli	\$4,200
Victoria Mendicino	\$5,000

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing deeds of easement for the replacement of the Pigeon Creek # 2 bridge.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a contract increase in the amount of \$1,200 for SE Technologies to address additional changes to the Categorical Exclusion document for the Panhandle Trail. Costs will be paid from the Parks budget as the design grant has been expended and closed.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the contract increase for SE Technologies 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 contract supplement in the amount of \$55,000 for Mackin Engineering to complete a Greenways and Trails Plan as an extension of the Comprehensive Plan. The total project is estimated to cost \$110,000. Mackin will be paid with a \$55,000 grant from DCNR. Costs previously paid on the Comprehensive Plan and in-kind services will be applied toward the match. No additional County funds will be required.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the contract supplement with Mackin Engineering to complete a Greenways and Trails Plan 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 for the demolition and removal of the highway structure which formerly carried Bulger Road in Smith Township. This structure has been ordered removed by PUC order entered January 21, 2004. The bid shall specify that prospective bidders are to remove this steel structure and remove all steel from the site. Proceeds from the sale of the scrap are to be utilized by the bidder as payment for the work.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving authorization to bid for the demolition and removal of a highway structure 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 the following Child Care Provider Agreements. These agreements will be automatically renewed until either party to the Agreement notifies the other party in writing of their intent not to renew under the current terms of the provider agreements.

Florence Nahar, Belle Vernon
 Terrence Giles, Canonsburg
 Marilyn Kalbaugh, Charleroi
 Shirley Dillon, Bulger
 Jackie Deco/Lynn Clark, Cecil
 Diversified Human Services, Monessen
 First Church of the Nazarene, Washington
 Katie Hutchinson, Vestaburg
 Catherine Bayus, Washington
 Cheryl Besedick, April Ricci, Bentleyville
 St. Francis Children's School, Scenery Hill
 Wee Care Day Care, Inc, Monongahela
 Central Assembly of God, Washington
 Peg Burnfield, Washington
 Rainbows End Learning Ctr, Inc. Wash.
 Robin and Louis Dipietrantonio, Charleroi
 Darleta Clayton, Meadowlands
 Heather Depsky, Canonsburg
 Sunshine Kids, Inc, Eighty Four
 Joyce Wade, Canonsburg

Nicole Roark, Washington
 Lula Chaney, Donora
 Christine Finney, Meadowlands
 Ida Pearl Eicholtz, Charleroi
 Lori Gergely, California
 Diversified Human Services, Monongahela
 Little People's Place of Avella, Avella
 Knowledge Learning Corp., McMurray
 Mon Valley YMCA, Charleroi
 Joyce Wade, Cecil
 Louise Turiczek, Cecil
 Kids Unlimited Child Development Corp, Canonsburg
 Carolyn Pattison, Washington
 Ramay Horner, Washington
 Kristy Wiles, McDonald
 Pigtales/Inkwells Day Care, Washington
 Gwen's Day Care, Inc., Washington
 Donna Lynn, Langeloth
 Candice Harvison, Houston
 New Adventure Learning Center, Monongahela

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Knowledge Learning Corp., Washington
 Mary Grace Bohna, California
 Smartkids Child Care, Washington
 Sunshine Kids, Inc., McMurray
 Just Us Kids Day Care, Inc., Washington

Ginger Sprowls, Amity
 Smartkids Child Care, Canonsburg
 Grandma Mary's Day Care Center, Inc., Burgettstown
 Patricia Rose, Fredericktown
 Just Us Kids Day Care, Inc., Washington

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing Child Care Information Services agreements.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval addendum # 2 to the original contract with SW PA American Red Cross for the period July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005. This will increase the contract amount by \$3,700 for a total amount of \$104,329. No additional County funds are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving addendum # 2 to the contract with SW PA American Red Cross as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irely - 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 Washington County Mental Retardation Annual Plan - Stage I for FY 2006-2007. The plan includes funding requests for 89 persons currently on the Medicaid Waiver Waiting List in the amount of \$6,936,725 and requires no County fund match.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Maggi, the submission of the Washington County Mental Retardation Annual Plan as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an Amendment to the agreement with Keystone West Health Plan (Highmark). This amendment will increase the Health Center's Reimbursement for Keystone beneficiaries admitted for Level II and Level III services effective July 1, 2005. There are no costs to the Health Center associated with this contract.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the amendment to the agreement with Keystone West Health Plan for the Washington County Health Center as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a Memorandum of Understanding with UPMC Cancer Centers and its affiliated groups, which is required by the Center for Medicare & Medicaid Services. This Memorandum of Understanding delineates both UPMC Cancer Centers' and the Health Center's responsibilities for the treatment of residents mutually served, as well as specifying that payment for any services rendered to a resident

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in a Part A Medicare stay would be limited to the current Medicare fee schedule. No County funds are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing Memorandum of Understanding with UPMC Cancer Center for the Washington County Health Center.

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 agreement with Harmony Hospice for the provision of hospice and respite services at the Health Center. This will enable Harmony Hospice to continue to serve their Washington County clients when they are admitted to the Health Center, as well as permitting the Health Center to accept respite admissions of their hospice clients. No County funds are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the agreement with Harmony Hospice 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.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a two year renewal agreement with Adelphoi Village, Inc. for 50 Old Hickory Ridge Rd., Washington, PA (old Juvenile Detention Home) for Children and Youth Services. This renewal would be from July 1, 2005 through June 30, 2007 at the current rate of \$1,833.33 per month.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing renewal agreement with Adelphoi Village, Inc. for Children and Youth Services.

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 collateral agreement with Sky Bank. This agreement will provide additional protection for County funds and will be effective immediately. No County funds are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the collateral agreement with Sky Bank 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 agreement with Investment Management Advisory Group (IMAGE) to provide monitoring services for the recently completed Swaption. The annual compensation will be \$1,500.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the agreement with Investment Management Advisory Group as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

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Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the Emergency Management Performance Grant Program Agreement for Federal Fiscal Year 2005 for the Public Safety Department. This is a reimbursement program involving a 50/50 Federal/County match for salaries and benefits of approved staff positions.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the Emergency Management Performance Grant Program for Public Safety 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 agreement between the County of Washington and Scott Sabocheck to replace D.J. Johnson as a West Nile Virus Technician at a rate of \$15.00/hour, effective through November 30, 2005.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing agreement between the County and Scott Sabocheck.

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 revisions in the mileage reimbursement rate in previously approved 2005 West Nile Virus contracts for James Crites and Clark Harris. The rate of 36 cents per mile is corrected to 37.5 cents per mile to comply with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection's approved mileage rate.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the revisions in the mileage reimbursement rate for the above-mentioned contractors for the West Nile Virus Program.

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 adoption of a Resolution to amend the Resolution adopted April 17, 2003 wherein the Washington County Board of Commissioners created an Airport Advisory Board comprised of fifteen members for three year staggered terms. The amended resolution restructures the Airport Advisory Board to ten members.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Maggi, adopting the foregoing Resolution regarding the Airport Advisory Board.

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 to advertise for bids for the renovation of the Recorder of Deeds Office in the Courthouse into offices and courtroom for the sixth judge. The

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bids are expected to be ready for advertising by the end of June, opened July 18, 2005 and awarded at a special meeting of the Board of County Commissioners on July 26, 2005.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving authorization to bid the renovation of the Recorder of Deeds Office as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An Executive Session was held on June 8, 2005 immediately following the Agenda Meeting as an information session related to personnel and labor relations issues and litigation styled United States of America vs. Washington County, Washington County Tax Claim Bureau, et al, filed at 05-0682.

The quarterly meeting of the Salary Board will meet today immediately following the Board meeting.

SOLICITOR

None

There being no further business, Co-Chairman Burns declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:50 a.m.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL

_____ June 17, 2005
ATTEST: Mary E Delucke
CHIEF CLERK

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