

Minute No. 721

Washington County Commissioners

Washington, PA, June 5, 2003

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 John P. Bevec, Diana L. Irely and J. Bracken Burns, Sr. Also being present: Catherine Kresh, Administrator/Chief Clerk; Richard DiSalle, Solicitor; Linda Belcher, Administrative Assistant; Sheriff Larry Maggi; Todd Hammond, John Rheel and Bill Bryker, Sheriff's Office; Bob Sepsey, Mon Valley Leathernecks; Pete Lorenzo, SEIU member; Ethan Weddell, summer intern; Gary Mucho, Veterans Office; Kati Pukavina and William Scrip, Sheriff's Office interns; Robert Umstead, Executive Director of the Redevelopment Authority; Scott Becker, Director of the Trolley Museum; Jerry Seaman, Harry Sabatasse, Charlie and Mary Jo Keenan, Phillip Ames, Carl Maggi, Dennis Fazzolare and Bonnie Gilbert, interested citizens; Stacey Wolford, Valley Independent; Jim Jefferson, WJPA; Nancy Miller, PA Focus; and Linda Metz, Observer-Reporter.

Chairman Bevec called the meeting to order at approximately 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Burns led with a prayer.

Mr. Sepsey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Bevec entertained a motion to approve Minute No. 720 dated May 15, 2003.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Burns, that Minute No. 720 be approved as written.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

#### SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Mr. Umstead of the Redevelopment Authority presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a Resolution approving modification two to the Redevelopment Proposal for the Highland-Ridge Redevelopment Project in the City of Washington.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the foregoing Resolution.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

Harry Sabatasse of the Burgettstown area congratulated Mr. Burns on his recent victory in the Primary Election. Mr. Sabatasse addressed the Board regarding the Clean and Green Program. He questioned as to whether or not the Board took any formal action as a result of meetings held to discuss the fairness of this program. Mr. Sabatasse made comments regarding the Government Study Commission and whether a final report has been submitted with the committee's findings.

The Board stated they have not seen a final report as of this date but would follow up on this issue.

The Board also informed Mr. Sabatasse he could obtain a copy of the final report of the Clean and Green Advisory Committee from the Tax Assessment Office.

Scott Becker, Director of the Pennsylvania Trolley Museum, announced the Trolley Museum will be celebrating fifty years to the end of trolley service in Washington County with three upcoming events. Mr. Becker stated there will be a slide presentation, a car show and a World War II enactment and camp out. Mr. Becker noted everyone is welcome to attend all or each of the events.

Mary Jo Keenan of Blaine Township commented on Mr. Sabatasse's remarks regarding the Clean and Green Program. She noted a lot of work was put into the meetings held to study the program and explained to Mr. Sabatasse some of the classifications in the Clean and Green Act.

Joseph Zupancic, a member of the Government Study Commission, clarified Mr. Sabatasse's remarks regarding the final report of the commission. He pointed out the committee did produce a final report and would check the status and report to the Chief Clerk. He believed it was signed by all committee members.

#### OLD BUSINESS

Solicitor DiSalle recommended the Board award the bid for award the bid for Medical Supplies for the Washington County Health Center to the following vendors based on their per unit cost as submitted in their bid proposals.

The Burrows Company, Wheeling IL  
 Har-Kel, Inc., Lawrence PA  
 Mercy Surgical Dressing Group, McMurray PA  
 Supreme Medical Fulfillment, Mobile AL

All items have been awarded to the lowest bidder meeting specifications. Certain items have not been awarded to the lowest bidder as they did not meet specifications. This bid will be in effect thru March 31, 2004. The total yearly cost is approximately \$20,000.00

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, awarding the bid for Medical Supplies as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DiSalle recommended the Board award the bid for Kitchen & Housekeeping Supplies for the Aging Services to the following vendors based on their per unit cost as submitted in their bid proposals.

All American Poly, Piscataway, NJ  
 Central Poly, Linden N.J.  
 Curran Taylor, Canonsburg PA  
 Grainger Industrial Supply, Pittsburgh PA  
 Jack Frye Sales & Service, Clairton, PA  
 Janitor's Supply, Smock PA  
 Liberty Distributors, Triadelphia WV  
 Maica Products, Pittsburgh PA  
 Standard Textile, Cincinnati OH

All items have been awarded to the lowest bidder. This bid will be in effect from July 1, 2003 thru June 30, 2004.

The total yearly cost is approximately \$40,000.00

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, awarding the bid for Kitchen & Housekeeping Supplies for Aging Services as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DiSalle recommended the Board award the bid for Ribbons, Cartridges and Toners for Washington County to West Point Products, Inc, Valley Grove WV, based on their per unit cost as submitted in their bid proposals. This bid has been awarded to the only responsive bid received. This bid will be in effect from July 1, 2003 thru June 30, 2004 with the option to renew on a year to year basis through June 30, 2006 by mutual agreement of both parties. The total yearly cost is approximately \$50,000.00

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, to award the bid for Ribbons, Cartridges and Toners as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DiSalle recommended the Board award the bid for Natural Gas for Washington County to Shipley Energy Co., York PA. This award is for a three month contract at unit costs of \$7.295 per DTH and \$7.585 per MCF as submitted in their bid proposals.

The Natural Gas bid has been awarded to the lowest bidder meeting specifications. This bid will be in effect commencing on July 1, 2003. Contract can be negotiated & renewed at each anniversary date till June 30, 2005, by mutual agreement of both parties.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, awarding the bid for Natural Gas to Shipley Energy Co. as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DiSalle recommended the Board award the bid for the Copy Control System to High Tech Accessory, Inc. of Rocky, NC based on their per unit cost as submitted in their bid proposal. This bid will be effective June 5, 2003 through May 31, 2004 and to be renewed for a second year by mutual agreement of both parties. The Recorder of Deeds items will be awarded in the total amount of \$17,034.00 and the remaining items will be ordered at a later date on a "as needed" basis for the Prothonotary Office in the estimated amount of \$15,732.00.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, awarding the foregoing bid for the Copy Control System.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

#### NEW BUSINESS

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the submission of the following grants for the Public Safety Department.

PEMA Grant in the amount of \$4,820.00 for Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) training activities within the county. Effective date July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004.

The annual Act 147 Radiation Emergency Response Fund Grant in the amount of \$7,016.00 to be used to improve emergency preparedness in case of a nuclear incident at the Beaver Valley Power Plant. This will be effective July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004.

The annual Act 165 Hazardous Material Response Fund Grant in the amount of \$39,639.06 for the period of July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004 to be used to support the emergency response efforts of the Washington County Haz-Mat Team.

No county match is required for these grants.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the foregoing grant submission for Public Safety.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an engineering agreement with the EADS Group, Inc. in the amount of \$179,799.51 for design of 6.15 miles of recreational trail and the relocation of Hanlin Station Road. The costs will be paid 100% through a DCED grant and additional sections of the trail will be negotiated for cost as further grant monies are received.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the engineering agreement with the EADS Group, Inc. as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a reimbursement agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the 2003 NBIS bridge inspections. The total cost of \$405,441.91 will be paid 80% federal funds and 20% county liquid fuels.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the reimbursement agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation for the 2003 NBIS bridge inspections as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval ratification of a grant for the Shared Ride for Senior Citizens Community Transportation Capital Equipment Grant Application with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Transportation in the amount of \$236,000 for fiscal year 2003-2004. No County dollars are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the ratification of a grant for the Shared Ride for Senior Citizens Community Transportation Capital Equipment Grant Application as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Sheryl Eichenlaub, Bethel Park  
 Dawn McCullough, Amity  
 Carolyn Thomas, Washington  
 Stell Lee Edwards, Washington  
 Tina Ealy, Avella

Louise Tenney, Washington  
 Mary Ann Ondrick, Washington  
 Martin Kitchen'si, Donora  
 Priscilla Kulik, Fredericktown  
 Eve McKeon, Monessen

Kirsten Wolfe, McDonald  
 Rebecca Dicenso, Vestaburg  
 Cara Haggerty, Monongahela  
 Catarina Delgiacco, Brownsville  
 Bobetta Dillard, Donora

Gundolyn Jukes, Washington  
 Avelina Saroca, Washington  
 Dayna Brown, Washington  
 Barbara Franell, Washington

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

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide housing and supportive services to homeless individuals and families in the amount \$193,000 for the period of July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2005. In addition, to enter into agreements with the following provider agencies for management services:

SWPA American Red Cross		
Homeless Prevention Services		\$36,750
Washington Women's Shelter		
Emergency Shelters		\$28,550
Transitional Housing		\$11,000
Connect, Inc.		
Emergency Shelters		\$45,500
Transitional Housing		\$54,550
Try Again Homes, Inc.		
Transitional		\$ 7,000

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the foregoing agreement with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for housing and supportive services with the above-mentioned providers for Human Services.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval amendments to the following contracts for the Children and Youth Services for the period of July 1, 2002 through June 30, 2003.

<u>PROVIDER</u>	<u>FROM</u>	<u>AMENDED AMOUNT</u>
Adelphoi Village, Inc.	\$3,000,000	\$3,600,000
Community Specialist Corp.	100,000	165,000
Cornell Abrazis	725,000	805,000
Try Again Homes (Foster Care)	250,000	300,000
George Junior Republic	250,000	332,000
Pressley Ridge	50,000	76,000
Gateway Rehabilitation	75,000	125,000
Vision Quest	150,000	280,000

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the foregoing amendments to the Children and Youth Services provider contracts.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an agreement with Westmoreland County to administer the Health Care Quality Unit Program in the amount of \$10,951 for the period of July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004. No County dollars are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the agreement with Westmoreland County as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an agreement with McGuire Memorial for mental retardation residential services for one person for fiscal year 2002-2003 in the amount of \$104,000. No County dollars are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the agreement with McGuire Memorial for Mental Health/Mental Retardation as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an agreement with California University of PA to continue the Independent Monitoring for Quality Project to monitor services to approximately 100 persons with mental retardation in the amount of \$48,024 for the period of July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004. No County dollars are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the agreement with California University of PA for Mental Health/Mental Retardation as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a two year extension with Maximus, Inc. to prepare the County's cost allocation plan. The cost will remain at the current amount of \$12,000 per year.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving a two year extension with Maximus, Inc. as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the submission of the annual DARE Grant application to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency for the Sheriff's Office. The total grant amount is \$4,854.00 for the period of September 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004. This grant will be used at the Avella and McGuffey School Districts and requires no County dollars.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the submission of the annual DARE Grant Application for the Sheriff's Office as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval authorization for the Washington County Fair Board to award the lumber bid to the highest qualified bidder and to allow the Fair Board to keep the proceeds from the timbering at the fairgrounds per this bid.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving authorization for the Washington County Fair Board to award the lumber bid as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval authorization to initiate condemnation proceedings on three properties within the ILS approach zone at the Washington County Airport. The action would involve the condemnation of an aviation easement across the affected properties to allow for the removal of trees penetrating the approach surface and to regulate future plantings and construction within the easement area.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving authorization to initiate condemnation proceedings at the Washington County Airport as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a Change Order with Poleset, Inc. in the amount of \$3,800 to bury the primary cables attached to the Wheeler Pole instead of a 25' anchor pole. These changes are requested by Allegheny Power and will be paid 90% federal, 5% state, 5% county aviation

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the foregoing Change Order with Polset, Inc. for the Washington County Airport.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval agreements with Robert Fetty, Dusty Danley and Clark Harris for the purpose of conducting West Nile Virus surveillance using sampling techniques. Payment will be \$14.00 per hour plus mileage reimbursement of 36.5 cents per mile for travel expense. These agreements will be effective immediately and conclude October 31, 2003. The costs will be covered by the Department of Environmental Protection grant, therefore, no County dollars are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the foregoing agreements for the West Nile Surveillance program.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a supplement in the amount of \$12,171.48 to the contract with Wilbur Smith Associates for the 2003 NBIS inspections. This includes additional re-analysis services to be performed on an as-needed basis per the request of PenDOT. The revised contract amount is \$382,560.15 to be paid 80% federal and 20% County Liquid Fuels.

Moved by Mrs. Irely, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the supplement with Wilbur Smith Associates as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

An Executive Session was held on June 4, 2003 immediately following the Agenda Meeting to discuss personnel issues.

**SOLICITOR:**

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

Moved by Mrs. Irely, 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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| <p>1. Michael A. Carcella &amp; R. M. Schock<br/>Post Office Box 194<br/>Dunlevy, PA 15443<br/>District: Dunlevy Borough<br/>Parcel No. 250-016-01-00-0006-00<br/>Total Amount: \$222.71</p>  | <p>2002 County Tax</p> |
| <p>2. John &amp; Nancy Pacella<br/>197 Snowberry Circle<br/>Venetia, PA 15367<br/>District: Peters Township<br/>Parcel No. 540-003-07-01-0001-00<br/>Total Amount: \$400.35</p>               | <p>2003 County Tax</p> |
| <p>3. John &amp; Lori Fazio<br/>278 Hooks Lane<br/>Canonsburg, PA 15317<br/>District: Canonsburg 1<sup>st</sup> Ward Annex<br/>Parcel No. 095-001-11-00-0019-00<br/>Total Amount: \$84.24</p> | <p>2003 County Tax</p> |
| <p>4. Timothy D. &amp; Julia C. Wittkopp<br/>2 Clearview Drive<br/>Canonsburg, PA 15317<br/>District: Cecil Township<br/>Parcel No. 140-009-11-00-0013-00<br/>Total Amount: \$519.89</p>      | <p>2003 County Tax</p> |
| <p>5. Alice M. Rommes<br/>15 Rommes Lane<br/>Burgettstown, PA 15021<br/>District: Smith Township<br/>Parcel No. 570-011-00-00-0022-00<br/>Total Amount: \$8.84</p>                            | <p>2003 County Tax</p> |

