**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS** 

WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

Minute No. 750

**Washington County Commissioners** 

Washington, PA, August 19, 2004

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, J. Bracken Burns, Sr. and Diana L. Irey. Also being present: Lynn DeHaven, Solicitor; Mary Helicke, Chief
Clerk; Linda Belcher, Administrative Assistant; Scott Fergus, Director of Administration; Joann Metz, Sue Orrick and
Joy Sprowls, Commissioners Office; Sheriff John Rheel and Deputy Jeff Bodnar; Dr. Reverend Susan Vande Kappelle,
Fourth Presbyterian Church; George Eckert, Forty and Eight; Vince Ley, Planning Commission; Phil Ames, Peter West,
Marcella Delverny, Ron and Maya Patch, interested citizens; Jim Jefferson, WJPA; Linda Metz, Observer-Reporter;
Stacey Wolford, Valley Independent; and Casey Gelder, Pa Focus.

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

Dr. Reverend Vande Kappelle led the meeting with a prayer.

Mr. Eckert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Co-Chairman Burns entertained a motion to approve Minute No. 749 dated August 5, 2004.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving Minute No. 749 as written.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

### SPEICAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

None

(RECESS FOR PHOTOS)

### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Maya Patch of Carroll Township announced that a group of motorcyclists will be leaving today from Cerini's Harley Davidson shop with 2,000 signed tee shirts traveling to New York to be sent to the troops in Iraq.

Maya and Ron Patch addressed the Board regarding fair taxation on homes that have had improvements made to them. They also suggested the Board should look into collecting tax monies from delinquent taxpayers so taxes will not have to be raised to balance a county budget.

Mrs. Patch stated the Board should penalize property owners for violating codes for not taking proper care of their property.

Co-Chairman Burns noted state law does not permit the county to enforce codes on property owners that fall under each municipality's code enforcement laws.

George Eckert of Monongahela commented on the Scotland School for Veterans' Children celebrating the dedication of a new scoreboard on September 11, 2004. He pointed out the 40/8 Organization was very instrumental in obtaining this scoreboard. Mr. Eckert also thanked the Board for the wonderful job in handling the Veterans' Affairs Office until a new director is hired.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board authorize the extension of the bid for the Copy Control System with High Tech Accessory Items, Inc., Rocky NC. This bid and the extension is based on the per unit cost.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, authorizing the extension of the bid for the Copy Control Systems as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board approve authorization to advertise for bids for the autocad software to be used by the Tax Assessment office. The estimated cost is approximately \$20,145. This amount is to be paid from the Tax Assessment budget.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving authorization to advertise for bids 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 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.

Lisa J. Salvador, Donora
Theresa A. Lytle, Donora
Danyelle L. Warner, Washington
Paula Marie McPatland, Charleroi
Ayuana Banks, Washington
Ma Merian Bernardo, Washington

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

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 Human Services Development Fund providers for the period July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005 in the total amount of \$584,079.00. No County funds are required.

Aging Services	\$140,000
Children & Youth Services	200,000
MH/MR	65,000
SW Human Services (Homemaker)	4,000
CARE (Counseling)	10,000
Wash. Co. Transportation Auth. (Transp.)	25,000
Catholic Charities (Adult Srvs Counseling)	18,000
Health Center (Adult Day Care)	63,784
SW Human Services (Adult Day Care)	6,000
Greater Wash. Co. Food Bank (Volunteer)	10,000
Community Action SW (Homeless Asst. Case Mgmt)	42,295

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing Human Services Development Fund provider agreements.

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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 an agreement with the Department of Agriculture for the State Food Purchase Program for the period of July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005 in the amount of \$252,963. No County funds are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the agreement with the Department of Agriculture 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 an agreement with the University of Pittsburgh for an employee of Children and Youth Services (Amanda Krobot) to attend the graduate education program as a part time CWEL student. No County funds are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing agreement with the University of Pittsburgh.

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 Purchase of Service contracts for providers for Children and Youth Services for the period of July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005. No additional County funds are required.

Southwestern Behavioral Healthcare/Host Family	\$170,000
Catholic Charities	100,000
Florence Crittenton Programs, Inc.	40,000
Spectrum Family Network	42,000
Spectrum Family Network (In-Home)	200,000
Outside In-School of Experiential Education, Inc.	25,000
PA Mentor	350,000
Perseus House	60,000
Westmoreland Co. (Regional Youth Service Center)	50,000
Mon Valley YMCA	170,000

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the Purchase of Service contracts for Children and Youth 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 an agreement with Westmoreland County for Mental Health/Mental Retardation to administer the Health Care Quality Unit Program in the amount of \$10,951 for the period of July 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005. No County funds are required.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the agreement with Westmoreland County 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 an agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare to amend portions of the 2004 HealthChoices Behavioral Managed Care Agreement to include applicable reporting requirements associated with compliance to Act 69 of 2004 which imposes an assessment of revenues received by managed care organizations, including counties contracted for the HealthChoices Managed Care Program for the Mental Health/Mental Retardation Program.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare 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 the adoption of a Resolution approving the Plan Revisions and Amendments to the Community Development Block Grant and Home Investment Partnerships Programs which are part of the County's Consolidated Action Plan.

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

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 adoption of a Resolution approving modification three to the Redevelopment Proposal for the Highland-Ridge Redevelopment Project in the City of Washington.

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

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 application to the Pennsylvania Historical Museum Commission for funding to continue the process of microfilming old records in the Clerk of Courts Office. The grant is in the amount of \$4,993 and is effective through June 30, 2006 with no County funds required.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing grant application for the Clerk of Courts 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 an agreement with Acordia as the broker of record for employee benefits at the rate of \$60,000 per year. The agreement is for a three year period effective September 1, 2004 through December 31, 2007.

Moved Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the agreement with Acordia as the broker of record as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irey - No; Mr. Maggi - Yes; Mr. Burns - Yes.

Motion carried.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an agreement between Washington County and the Southwestern Pennsylvania Corporation for the 2004/2005 Unified Planning Transportation Work Program. This represents a renewal of an annual agreement with SPC that reimburses the County \$7,600 for the Planning Commission participation in the Long Range Transportation Plan Update.

Washington County Planning:	Support Services
SPC	\$9,500
20% County Share (indirect)	\$1,900
80% Federal Share (reimbursement)	<b>\$7,600</b>

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing agreement between Washington County and the Southwestern Pennsylvania Corporation.

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 acceptance of a block grant from the Bureau of Aviation in the amount of \$221,350 for construction of a taxiway and ramp on the north side of the airport.

This grant represents the funding necessary to complete the construction recently bid and awarded to Cast and Baker Corporation. The County match is \$11,650.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, accepting the foregoing block grant for the Washington County Airport.

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 with EADS for additional substructure analysis of abutment 1 and foundation replacement of abutment 2 on the Mid-Wheeling #4, Mays Covered Bridge in Buffalo Township. The supplement includes a transfer of funds from "direct cost of work by others" to "direct and indirect payroll" within the current contract in addition to a contract increase of \$21,906.48 for a final revised contract total of \$428,640.82. The total contract is for Mid-Wheeling #1 and Mid-Wheeling #4 but the supplement is for work to be completed on Mid-Wheeling #4 only. The additional work is required by PaDOT and costs will be paid 100% Act 26 Funds.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the contract supplement with EADS as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

Mrs. Irey - 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 the lease of a postage machine with scale for the Domestic Relations office. This would be a forty-eight month lease at the cost of \$407.21/month with a \$1.00/buyout. Domestic Relations will be paying 82% of the costs with a reimbursement of 66-2/3. The monthly cost of the meter is \$55.00.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the lease of a postage machine for the Domestic Relations 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 authorize an extension to the current contract with PharAmerica, Greensburg, PA for the purpose of providing pharmacy services to the Washington County Health Center. This extension would be on a month to month basis under the same terms and conditions as the current contract. The only cost to the County is \$455/month for medical record reports.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the extension to the contract with PharAmerica 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 an addendum #3 to the License Agreement for Parking Spaces at Millcraft. This addendum is to increase the number of parking spaces from twentyfour to thirty-two, effective August 1, 2004 for Children and Youth Services. This is a month to month agreement for \$800/month.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, approving the foregoing addendum to the License Agreement with Millcraft for parking spaces.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

### **SOLICITOR**

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

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Maggi, 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:

1. James Hilty 48 Norton Avenue Finleyville, PA 15332

2004 County Tax

District: Union

Parcel: 640-010-00-00-0019-05

Total: \$141.27

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2. Dennis Jenko 137 Kaukonen Dr. Coal Center, PA 15423

Parcel: 080-042-00-00-0002-02

Total: \$37.16

3. Edward Daerr 124 Oak Ridge Road Venetia, PA 15367

District: California

**District: Peters** 

Parcel: 540-006-12-00-0010-00

Total: \$6.86

4. Donald Earnest
10 Fisher Hollow Rd.
Amity, PA 15311
District: West Bethlehem

Parcel: 660-014-00-00-0002-01

Total: \$27.62

5. Ronald Swanson 1425 Ruin Creek Rd.

Henderson, NC 27537 District: Fallowfield

Parcel: 320-007-04-00-0027-00

Total: \$13.25

6. Vincent Conrad 480 Pinewood Dr. McMurray, PA 15317

District: Peters

Parcel: 540-007-10-04-0024-00

Total: \$23.57

7. Andrew Mayton

261 Rte. 481

Fredericktown, PA 15333 District: Centerville

Parcel: 151-013-00-00-0007-00

Total: \$3.41

8. Andrew Mayton

261 Rte. 481

Fredericktown, PA 15333 District: Centerville

Parcel: 151-013-00-00-0008-00

Total: \$14.93

9. Lawrence Brown

Suntrust Mortgage Inc. 901 Semmes Ave. Richmond, VA 23224

District: 540 Peters Parcel: 540-007-23-0018-00

Total: \$25.64

10. W & J College

East Beau Street Washington, PA 15301 District: East Washington Parcel: 290-004-00-01-0009-00

Total: \$185.31

11. August Gatto

309 Hickory Nut Circle Eighty-Four, PA 15330 District: Nottingham

Parcel: 530-002-05-00-0022-00

Total: \$5.24

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12. Arlene and David Rotta

**404 Grant Street** 

Monongahela, PA 15063 District: Fallowfield

Parcel: 320-007-07-03-0004-01

Total: \$60.62

13. John and Susan Casagranda

799 Francis Mine State Rd. Burgettstown, PA 15021 District: Hanover Township Parcel: 340-006-00-00-0015-00

Total: \$14.60

14. Glen Roland and Jean Coulter

135 Truman Road Monongahela, PA 15063 District: Fallowfield Parcel: 320-006-00-00-0012-00

**Total: \$81.02** 

15. Ruffo and Veronica Proviano

3451 Fawn Valley Lane Finleyville, PA 15332 District: Union Township Parcel: 640-010-05-02-0019-00

**Total: \$17.68** 

16. Joseph and Barbara Taggart

142 Willow Road Avella, PA 15312 District: Hopewell

Parcel: 350-011-00-00-0004-02

Total: \$206.03

17. Andrew and Brandi Blum

79 Beham Road West Alexander, PA 15376 District: West Alexander Parcel: 680-003-00-0009-00

Total: \$4.31

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Washington County Retirement Board Meeting will be held immediately after the Commissioners' Meeting today.

An executive session was held August 18, 2004 immediately following the Agenda Meeting as an information session related to personnel and labor relations issues, litigation styled John C. Pettit, District Attorney, v. Michael Namie, Controller, with the Board of Commissioners of Washington County and Frederick A. Brilla, noted as interested parties, filed at 2003-6317 in the Civil Division of the Court of Common Pleas of Washington County and potential litigation involving the Arden Landfill Trust and Columbia Gas.

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

10:35 a.m.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL

ATTEST: Mary & Helichl
CHIEF CLERK