Minute No. 645

Washington County Commissioners
Washington, PA, May 25, 2000

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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. Irey and J. Bracken Burns, Sr. Also being present: Chief Clerk Michelle Miller; Jim McCune,
Solicitor; Marlene Luketich, Director of Administration; Linda Belcher, Secretary; Mark Thomas and Melanie
Finney, Planning Commission; Sheriff Larry Maggi and Captain Todd Hammond; Joseph Zupancic, Assistant
Solicitor; Steve Wiencek, Redevelopment Authority; John Marshall and Debbie Giesler, Safety and Health; Randa
Cochran, Bonnie Palfrey, Pete Lorenzo, Gloria Schmalz, Safety Committee; Warden Joseph Pelzer, Russell Crupe,
Rich Brezenski, Correctional Facility; Representative Tim Solobay; Father Ken Sparks, St. Patrick's Church; George
Eckert, member of the Washington County Veterans Council; Butch Gorby, Fred Fleet, John Adams, interested
citizens; Judy Chestnutt, Observer-Reporter; Janice Crompton, Post Gazette; and Kathy Thomas, Valley
Independent.

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

Father Sparks led the meeting with a prayer.

George Eckert said the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Bevec entertained a motion to approve Minute No. 644 dated May 11, 2000.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, that Minute No. 644 be approved.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Commissioners read a Proclamation declaring June, 2000 as "Workplace Safety, Health and Wellness Month" in Washington County.

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

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

John Marshall thanked the Commissioners for their support and introduced Safety Committee members, Bonnie Palfrey, Randa Cochran, Pete Lorenzo, Gloria Schmalz and Todd Hammond.

The Commissioners presented a plaque to Russell Crupe honoring his twenty years of service with Washington County as a Correctional Officer. The Board wished him well on his retirement.

Mr. Crupe thanked the Commissioners and Warden Pelzer for the opportunity to work for Washington County.

(RECESS)

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

Steve Wiencek of the Redevelopment Authority presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a Resolution regarding the Budget Revisions and Amendments to the Consolidated Plan.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, adopting the Resolution as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS

Solicitor McCune recommended the Board award the bid for a 4 x 4 Supercab Truck for Flood Control to Woltz and Wind Ford in the amount of \$21,000.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, awarding the bid for a 4 x 4 Supercab as per above.

Roll call vote:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor McCune recommended the Board table the bids for Kitchen and Housekeeping Supplies for further review.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, to table the Kitchen and Housekeeping Supplies for further review.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor McCune recommended the Board table the bid for Printed Forms for further review.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, to table the bids for Printed Forms as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor McCune recommended the Board table the bids for Software Training for further review.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, to table the foregoing bids.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

CORRESPONDENCE

Chief Clerk announced a Redevelopment Authority contract award to W. J. Woodhouse Jr. and Sons, Inc. of Eighty Four for the Route 19 Code Enforcement Remediation and Demolition Project in the City of Washington.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval payment of approximately \$24,450 for Oracle Licensing for the Criminal Justice integration, the Recorder of Deeds and the Health Center. It is noted that 10-50% of the purchase cost will be reimbursed through the PCCD. Approval is also requested to purchase a maintenance agreement for year two and year three for the Oracle products.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the foregoing Oracle Licensing purchase.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a Letter of Support submitted to the U. S. Army of Corps of Engineers for the Streambank Stabilization Project in Ten Mile Park. The letter should indicate the County wishes to proceed with the project and acknowledge the estimate cost of \$92,000, note the County is capable of providing its share contribution and state that the project cooperation agreement has been reviewed and the County accepts the terms.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the Letter of Support to the U. S. Army of Corps of Engineers as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the purchase of a new Case CX90 tractor from the State Contract for the Washington County Airport. The cost was included in the capital expenditure request from the Airport budget.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the purchase of a new Case CXD Tractor as per above.

Roll call vote:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval submission of the 2000-2001 annual Act 147 Radiation Emergency Response Fund Grant Agreement for Public Safety. This grant in the amount of \$7,323 will be used to purchase a LCD projector and accessories for visar radios and supplies relative to mass care and reception center operations. No County match is required.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving submission of the 2000-2001 annual Act 147 Radiation Emergency Response Fund Grant Agreement as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a request from Juvenile Probation to extend the Memorandum of Understanding Agreement between the County and the Intermediate Unit I from June 7, 2000 to August 31, 2000. This extension would provide for the Intermediate Unit to continue to give educational services to the Mon Valley YMCA and LEADER (CISP) afterschool program. The cost of this MOU extension is \$1,872.00.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the request from Juvenile Probation to extend the Memorandum of Understanding Agreement as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the submission of a Capital Assistant Grant to the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to purchase four raised-roof vehicles in the amount of \$150,000 with no anticipated County match.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the submission of a Capital Assistant Grant as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a one year agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare Office of Social Programs for Homeless Assistance Programs. These funds are used to assist with funding emergency shelters, Bridge Housing, case management and Homeless Prevention services. The amount of this year's funding is \$260,435. Approval is also requested by resolution to enter into agreements with the list of submitted subcontractors to provide homeless assistance services.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the one year agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare Office of Social Programs for Homeless Assistance Programs as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval Child Care Information Services

Provider Agreements with the following providers:

Bernadette Scholato, Washington Leslie Wentzell, Charleroi Amy Cunningham Jamie Wegin, Donora Rinae Bastin, Charleroi Robin Yates, Eighty Four Melyanda Barney, Eighty Four Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the foregoing Child Care Information Services Provider Agreements.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval contract modifications for FY 1999/2000 for Children and Youth Services as follows:

PROVIDER	ORIGINAL CONTRACT AMT.	AMT. OF INCREASE
AGAPE	\$575,000	\$125,000
Cambria County	46,000	54,000
Family Care	820,000	80,000
Families United	320,000	120,000
Lutheran	175,000	225,000
Northern Tier	35,000	10,000
S. Connelsville	37,000	53,000
VisionQuest	65,000	20,000

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the Childre and Youth contract modifications as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an Agreement with the Department of Health and the Washington and Greene Drug and Alcohol Planning Commissions to agree in concert with each other in the establishment and maintenance of a county drug and alcohol program.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the Drug and Alcohol Agreement as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a Right of Way/Easement Agreement with Cecil Township for Saint Johns Avenue located in Cecil Township.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the Right of Way/Easement Agreement as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chief Clerk announced that County Offices will be closed on Monday, May 29, 2000 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

SOLICITOR

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

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, authorizing the Tax Assessment Office to prepare the foregoing

tax refunds due to either duplication or overpayment of real estate or personal property tax:

1. Bailey Engineers, Inc.

125 Technology Drive Canonsburg, PA 15317 District: Cecil Township

Parcel No: 140-010-00-00-0008-04

Total amount: \$1,697.85

2. Angela Dee Dire

130 Valley View Drive Lawrence, PA 15055 District: Cecil Township

Parcel No. 140-012-13-00-0002-00F

Total amount: \$945.32

3. Dominic D. & Ardella J. Petrarca

1558 Network Drive Canonsburg, PA 15317 District: Cecil Township

Parcel No: 140-015-04-00-0010-00

Total amount: \$85.75

4. Joseph M. Harrell

%NVR Mgt Finance 100 Ryan Court Pittsburgh, PA 15205

District: North Strabane Township Parcel No. 520-011-04-01-0082-00B

Total amount: \$243.30

5. Kostas C. Barbush

517 Fifth Avenue Langeloth, PA 15054

District: Smith Township

Parcel No: 570-019-02-01-0010-00

Total amount: \$28.23

6. David Paul Hapchuk

226 Rankin Road Washington, PA 15301

District: South Strabane Township Parcel No: 600-009-00-00-0025-00

Total amount: \$206.52

7. Robert W. & Sheryl Thornburg

12 Linton Road Brownsville, PA 15417

District: Centerville lst Ward Parcel No: 151-016-00-00-0001-00

Total amount: \$54.32

8. Mon Valley Community Service, Inc.

528 McKean Avenue, P.O. Box 760

Charleroi, PA 15022

District: California Borough

Parcel No: 4 parcels Total amount: \$834.26

9. MIDA

P.O. Box 491

Donora, PA 15033

District: Donora Borough

Parcel No. 240-041-00-0001-00

(1999 County Tax)

(1993 thru 1999 County Tax)

(2000 County Tax)

(2000 County Tax)

(1999 County Tax)

(2000 County Tax)

(1995-2000 County Tax)

(1999 County Tax)

(1998-1999 County Tax)

10. George & Sylvia Luketich

813 Washington Street Bentleyville, PA 15314

District: Somerset Township Parcel No: 580-017-00-00-0030-03

Total amount: \$86.91

11. Edward & Lorraine Yanov

101 McKean Avenue Charleroi, PA 15022

District: South Franklin Township Parcel No. 590-001-00-00-0007-01

Total amount: <u>\$323.97</u>

12. Canonsburg Supply & Equipment Co.

1718 Route 980

Canonsburg, PA 15317 District: Cecil Township

Parcel No. 140-009-00-00-0016-00

Total amount: \$361.00

13. John L. & Deanna Lesneski

365 Reese Road Washington, PA 15301 District: Buffalo Township Parcel No. 060-002-00-0022-04

Total amount: \$191.65

14. Paul & Margaret L. Hinnebusch

109 Bunker Hill Drive McMurray, PA 15317 District: Peters Township Parcel No. 540-006-18-00-0003-00

Total amount: \$265.35

15. John & Mary Pavella

1927 S. Main Street
Washington, PA 15301
District: Chartiers Tow

District: Chartiers Township Parcel No: 170-012-00-00-0008-00

Total amount: \$96.41

16. Kellie Enright

2110 Main Street Monongahela, PA 15063

District: Carroll Township Parcel No: 130-012-04-03-0004-00

Total amount: \$13.79

17. Harry A. Gromo

107 Figley Avenue Aliquippa, PA 15001 District: Amwell Township

Parcel No. 020-008-00-00-0031-00

Total amount: \$17.60

18. Janie M. Ealy

30 Deer Trail

West Finley, PA 15377
District: Donegal Township

Parcel No: 270-028-00-00-0001-00 Total amount: \$5.92

19. Michael Carlin

190 Dinsmore R oad Burgettstown, PA 15021 District: Smith Township

Parcel No. 570-018-00-00-0030-01

Total amount: \$6.48

(1994-1999 County Tax)

(2000 County Tax)

(1992 & 1993 County Tax)

(1997 County Tax)

(1999 County Tax)

(1995-1998 County Tax)

(1999 County Tax)

(1999 County Tax)

(2000 County Tax)

(2000 County Tax)

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

20. Joe & Anne Trask

173 Fairway Landing Drive Canonsburg, PA 15317 District: Cecil Township

Parcel No: 140-010-03-00-0024-01

Total amount: \$26.80

21. Mary Jane & John Aponasewicz

406 Oakland Avenue Charleroi, PA 15022

District: California Borough Parcel No. 080-057-00-0020-00

Total amount: \$38.71

22. Frances & Lawrence Wilson

3339 Brookdale Drive Pittsburgh, PA 15241

District: Mt. Pleasant Township Parcel No. 460-003-00-00-0004-01

Total amount: \$9.89

23. Meadowbrook Joint Venture

3901 Washington Road, Suite 301

McMurray, PA 15317

District: North Strabane Township Parcel No: 520-011-04-04-0064-00

Total amount: \$25.66

24. Harry G. & Mary C. Haas

112 Sedeca Drive Canonsburg, PA 15317

District: North Strabane Township Parcel No. 520-015-00-*00-0009-13T

Total amount: \$46.35

25. Raymond & Carol A. Howard

1100 Green Street
Washington, PA 15301
District: North Franklin Tow

District: North Franklin Township Parcel No. 510-001-00-00-0021-00

Total amount: \$133.79

26. Chase Manhattan Mortgage

1775 Sherman Street, Suite 1500

Denver, CO 80203

District: Nottingham Township Parcel No. 530-013-00-00-014-04

Total amount: <u>\$635.58</u>

27. Jeffrey & Barbara Miller

204 Rutledge Drive McMurray, PA 15317

District: Peters Township Parcel No. 540-003-01-01-0007-00

Total amount: \$413.80

28. Darlene Hadiz

263 Hallam Road

Washington, PA 15301 District: Amwell Township

Parcel No. 020-002-00-0009-01

Total amount: \$6.62

29. Delano & Opal Williams

1204 Lone Pine Road Marianna, PA 15345

District: West Bethlehem Township Parcel No. 660-020-00-00006-00

Total amount: 313.00

(2000 County Tax)

30. William H. & Mary E. Toward 84 Cherry Valley Road McDonald, PA 15057 District: Mt. Pleasant Townshi

District: Mt. Pleasant Township Parcel No. 460-019-00-0039-00

Total amount: \$31.42

Solicitor McCune presented to the Board for their consideration and approval Tax Refunds due to the change of assessments to property owners as a result of the Clean and Green program. It was noted there are 542 refunds in the total amount of \$9,559.79.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the foregoing tax refunds.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor McCune presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a Settlement Agreement with Marlene Dranzo, a former employee, which has been resolved by a mutual agreement between the County and Ms. Dranzo.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the Settlement Agreement with Marlene Dranzo.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor McCune presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a Tax Assessment Appeal

Settlement of West Penn Coal Company. This agreement changes the assessment for tax years 1999, 2000 and 2001.

The fair market value of the coal is reduced from approximately \$800 an acre to \$200 an acre consistent eith the expert reports. West Penn Coal will pay the 1999 taxes and 1997 and 1998 delinquent taxes in the approximate amount according to the formula.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the Tax Assessment Appeal Settlement with West Penn Coal Company.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor McCune presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the purchase of approximately fifty acres from the Starvaggi's in the amount of \$20,000.00. It was noted that this property would be used by the Parks Department as part of the Panhandle Trail.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the Starvaggi property purchase as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor McCune notified the Board that his firm of Bassi, McCune and Vreeland, submitted their resignation as Washington County's lead solicitor. This would be effective as soon as a new replacement was named by the Board of Commissioners. Solicitor McCune stated the press of business, as well as new professional opportunities has prompted this decision.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, accepting the resignation of Bassi, McCune and Vreeland as solicitor for Washington County.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried.

Solicitor McCune stated he would like to thank the Commissioners for the opportunity to serve the Board and the public as well over the past several years.

John Adams, a resident of the Avella area, expressed his concerns regarding a situation in his area pertaining to the availability of water for residents. He stated that he has contacted state representatives, township officials and would like the Board of Commissioners to assist in any way possible.

Chairman Bevec informed Mr. Adams the Board would look into this matter and suggested he speak to Lisa Cessna, Director of Planning, for further assistance in this matter.

There being no further business, Chairman Bevec declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 10:35 a.m.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL:

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CHIEF CLERK