

MINUTE BOOK**BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS****WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA**

Minute No. 561

Washington County Commissioners

Washington, PA, April 3, 1997

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 Joseph A. Ford, Sr., Diana L. Ireby and J. Bracken Burns, Sr. Also being present: Michelle Miller, Chief Clerk; Linda Hands, Secretary; Attorneys Jim McCune and Jill Devine of the Solicitor's Office; Bill McGowen, Director of Administration; Controller Paul Belcastro; Steve Shaner, Executive Director of Washington/Greene County Drug and Alcohol Planning Commission; Ken Barna, Director of Tax Revenue; Betsy Dane, Crime Victims' Right Advocate in the District Attorney's Office; Melanie Thomas Finney, Planning Commission; Susan Priest, Consultant to the Washington County Library System; Bill Brown, The Sunlight, Inc.; Jim Brice and Mayor John Lignelli, Highland Terrace Tenants Rights Council/Donora Police Department; Wendy Rusmisl, Elaine Calvert, and Mary Lea Dutton, McGuffey School District; Judy Setto, Christian Life Club; Ray Shaw, Camp Sunlight, Inc.; Rich Cornell, Washington Drug Free Schools Advisory Council; Roy Rhoades, West End Community Center; Donna Sorce, Connect, Inc.; Robert Bosnyak and Charles Moffit, Club Serenity, Inc.; Alan Fafail, Todd Saunders, Tom Saunders, Bronson Englund, Chad Teasdale, Jefferson-Morgan High Schools S.A.D.D.; Loretta Manus, Susan Spahr and Linda Miller, Mon Valley YMCA; Joyce Winters, Waynesburg Central High School; Barbara Pepper and Linda Wagner, Charleroi Elementary PTA; Fred Fleet, interested citizen; Kris Schiffbauer, Herald Standard; Jim Jefferson, WJPA; Joe Smydo, Observer Reporter; Kathy Thomas, Valley Independent; J. R. Wheeler, CUTV; Christina Arangio, WTAE-TV, and Mary Grace Gilbert, a bidder.

Chairman Ford called the meeting to order at approximately 10:05 a.m. and entertained a motion to approve Minute No. 560 dated March 20, 1997.

Moved by Mrs. Ireby, seconded by Mr. Burns, that Minute No. 560 dated March 20, 1997, be approved as presented.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Commissioners presented to Betsy Dane, Administrative Assistant to the Crime Victims' Program, a Proclamation designating the week of April 13-19, 1997, as Washington County Victims' Week.

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

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Ford introduced Steve Shaner, Executive Director of the Drug and Alcohol Program, for the presentation of mini-grant awards to representatives of the following organizations:

Joseph A. Ford, Sr.
Diana L. Irey
J. Bracken Burns, Sr.

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<u>ORGANIZATION</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
The Sunlight, Inc.	\$2,000.00
Highland Terrace Tenants Rights Council/Donora Police Department	\$2,000.00
McGuffey School District	\$2,000.00
Christian Life Club	\$2,000.00
Camp Sunlight, Inc.	\$2,000.00
Washington Drug Free Schools Adv. Council	\$2,000.00
West End Community Center	\$1,997.60
Connect, Inc.	\$1,847.00
Club Serenity, Inc.	\$1,671.25
Jefferson-Morgan High School S.A.D.D.	\$1,500.00
Mon-Valley YMCA	\$1,393.60
Waynesburg Central High School	\$1,405.00
Charleroi Elementary PTA	\$ 988.00

(The meeting recessed briefly for the purpose of taking photos.)

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Mrs. Irey, to delete item "J" under New Business on the agenda regarding the library tax referendum.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried.

SOLICITOR

Attorney McCune recommended that the bid for Medical Supplies be awarded to the following vendors for the per unit costs submitted in their proposals:

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| Bellco Drug Corp., Lindenhurst, NY | Burrows Company, Warrendale, PA |
| C&A Scientific Co., Inc., Fairfax, VA | Convatech, Bridgeville, PA |
| Diamond Medical Supply, Indiana, PA | Druzak Medical, Inc., Ambridge, PA |
| Ecolab, Inc, St. Paul, MN | Gateway Healthcare, Sunbury, PA |
| Gatti Medical Supply, Indiana, PA | General Medical Corp., Brooklyn Heights, OH |
| Greenwood Pharmacy, Inc., Sharon, PA | Hunteigh Healthcare, Inc., Manalapan, NJ |
| Mercy Surgical Dressing Group, Inc., Canonsburg, PA | Paper Products Co., Inc., Pittsburgh, PA |
| Redline Medical Supply, Coraopolis, PA | Stuart Drug & Surgical Supply, Inc., Greensburg, PA |

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Mrs. Irey, awarding the bid as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor McCune recommended to the Board that the bids for Kitchen Supplies be awarded to the following vendors for the per unit costs submitted in their proposals:

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| Curran Taylor, Inc., McMurray, PA | J. Gregory Restaurant Equip., Monongahela, PA |
| Lewis Bros. & Sons, Inc., Pittsburgh, PA | Tri State Restaurant Equip. Co., Beaver Falls, PA |

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Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Mrs. Irey, awarding the bid as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Susan Priest, Consultant for the Washington County Library System, appeared before the Board of Commissioners to state her position related to the Library Referendum ballot question. Ms. Priest said she assumed the motion taken earlier regarding Item "J" meant that the Board of Commissioners would not vote on placing the library referendum question on the Primary election ballot. Ms. Priest thanked Commissioners Irey and Burns for returning her recent phone call and for understanding that the libraries needed time to prepare the ballot referendum for the November election. She also requested the Solicitor's Office assistance in determining the time period that the libraries could collect signatures for this referendum. Ms. Priest said she knew the Solicitor's Office prepared wording for the referendum question and assumed the same wording could be used on the petitions. Ms. Priest expressed that the libraries requested this referendum because the citizens of Washington County deserve better libraries. Additionally, Ms. Priest said that library personnel are tired of apologizing for materials they are unable to provide to the public. Ms. Priest said the libraries thanked the Commissioners (Irey and Burns) for removing Item "J" from the agenda because it allows for more time before the November election to properly educate the voters, provided enough signatures are obtained for the referendum.

Commissioner Ford expressed that when Ms. Priest came to thank his two colleagues, she should have thanked the whole Board of Commissioners. Commissioner Ford told Ms. Priest that he was on the Board four years prior to his colleagues, and through his efforts in 1993, the library allocation was increased when Bob Horvath requested his assistance. Also, Commissioner Ford commented that when Mr. Horvath asked him in January if the Board had any opposition to the library referendum being on the ballot, he said no. Commissioner Ford further noted that he had no contact with the libraries until he read a newspaper article in which the libraries complained that the County's legal system "dragged their feet" in helping with the ballot referendum.

Ms. Priest stated that she thanked the two Commissioners for removing Item "J" from the agenda and thought that Commissioner Ford did not want to remove this item from the agenda.

Commissioner Ford further stated that he only responded to the library's request to put this item on the agenda. Commissioner Ford said that Ms. Priest needed to be clear as to why this referendum was requested to be placed on the ballot. Commissioner Ford explained the reason why the referendum question will not appear on the primary election ballot is because Ms. Priest called his colleagues and requested the ballot referendum be removed from the agenda. Commissioner Ford expressed that if the library group didn't call his colleagues, the vote would have been taken, and the libraries would have received what they originally asked for, the ballot referendum question.

Ms. Priest told the Commissioners that since February the libraries had no intention on placing the referendum on the Primary ballot but rather on the November ballot.

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Commissioner Ford said that this information was never conveyed to him or to Commissioner Burns.

Ms. Priest apologized and said that the Library group made this intention clear at their public meetings and through the newspaper media.

Commissioner Ford stated that since the Library group did not write a letter to the Board of Commissioners or convey its position to his colleagues, the Board originally had no opposition. Commissioner Ford said the only response he heard from the Library group were complaints that the County was acting too slow.

Mr. Ford ended the conversation by reiterating that he put the ballot referendum item on the agenda because the libraries originally requested this action to be taken.

CORRESPONDENCE

Chief Clerk made available to the news media a News Release in connection with the following project:

1. Washington County Housing Authority - Ninth Annual 1997 HARIE/FOXCO Michael Stefan Award

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a State Contract with Rohrer Bus Sales of Duncannon, Pa., for the purchase of a 1997 Ford Superduty Omni Bus with wheelchair spaces at a cost of \$42,987.00. This bus would be used at the Washington County Health Center for transporting patients.

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Mrs. Irej, approving the State Contract with Rohrer Bus Sales as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the renewal of an Agreement with the Pennsylvania State Police. This agreement allows the Sheriff's Office and 911 to access criminal records through the Commonwealth Law Enforcement Assistance Network (CLEAN), the National Crime Information Center and the National Law Enforcement Telecommunications System. It was noted that there is no cost to the County for renewal of this agreement.

Moved by Mrs. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the renewal of the CLEAN Agreement for the Sheriff's and 911 Offices as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval authorization to solicit letters of interest and request for qualifications from qualified engineering companies for safety improvements at the Washington County Airport. This would be in conjunction with a \$1.5 million dollar grant award from FAA for improvement projects at the Airport.

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Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, authorizing the solicitation of letters of interest and request for qualifications as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk requested authorization to advertise for bids for the Summer Municipal Joint Purchasing Program.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, authorizing the Chief Clerk to advertise for bids as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval authorization to execute the application and related documentation required for the submission of the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Small Project Joint Permit Application. This permit is required as part of the Wyit Sprowls Bridge Project.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the execution of the foregoing Application relating to the Wyit Sprowls Bridge Project.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an Amendment to the Engineering Contract with Triline Associates of McMurray, Pa., for additional services associated with the acquisition of property and right-of-ways from the adjacent property owners affected by the reconstruction of the Greer Station Bridge, Chartiers Creek, Cecil/Peters Townships. The engineering contract is in the amount of \$3,912.53.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the Amendment to the Engineering Agreement with Triline Associates as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval a budget modification to the Intermediate Punishment Grant Project. This would be for the change of the original purpose of the consultant for the Intermediate Punishment Program. It was noted that there will be no change in the overall budget amount of the grant and the program is supported entirely with State Funds and does not involve any County monies. The current project period ends on September 30, 1997.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the budget modification to the Intermediate

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Punishment Grant Project as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an Agreement with Kellye Kimberland, a paralegal, to perform title search reports for the Tax Claim Bureau at a cost of \$100.00 per written title search report, not to exceed \$10,000.00. The term of the Agreement is April 1, 1997 to June 30, 1998.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the Agreement with Kellye Kimberland as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval Day Care Provider Agreements with the following contractors:

Sharon Campbell, Washington, Pa.

ABC's for Children, Pittsburgh, Pa.

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the Agreements for Day Care Providers as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chief Clerk announced that there will be an Open House at the Washington County Health Center from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. on Friday, April 4, 1997 and invited the public to attend.

SOLICITOR

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

Moved by Mrs. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, that the Tax Assessment (or Tax Claim Bureau) be authorized to prepare the following tax refunds due to either duplication or overpayment of real estate or personal property tax:

1. Robert Roux (1997 County Tax)
74 E. Prospect Avenue
Washington, PA 15301
District: Washington 5th Ward
Parcel ID No: 750-016-00-00-0012-00
Total amount: \$18.53
S.S. #206-42-1955
2. James D. & Florence C. Mitchell (1997 County Tax)
611 American Street
California, PA 15419
District: California Borough
Parcel ID No: 080-016-01-00-0007-00
Total amount: \$17.29
S. S. #185-12-1550

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3. Matthew Yuhas (1997 County Tax)
348 Main Street
West Brownsville, PA 15417
District: West Brownsville Borough
Parcel ID No: 670-005-00-00-02-0007-00
Total amount: \$25.52
S. S. #312-05-0924
4. Charleroi Fed S&L Assn. (1997 County Tax)
1st & McKean Avenue
Charleroi, PA 15022
District: Charleroi Borough
Parcel ID No: 160-012-00-06-0038-00
Total amount: \$252.00
Tax I.D. 25-0400413
5. Jessop Steel Company (1997 County Tax)
Attn: Tax Department
1000 Six PPG Place
Pittsburgh, PA 15222
District: Canton Township
Parcel ID No: 120-011-00-00-0014-00
Total amount: \$37.50
Tax ID #25-0575410
6. Helen Z. Peltonen (1997 County Tax)
325 Rear Crest Avenue
Charleroi, PA 15022
District: Charleroi Borough
Parcel ID No: 160-023-00-03-0004-00
Total amount: \$3.19
7. Rose M. Baker (1997 County Tax)
188 Arlington Avenue
Charleroi, PA 15022
District: California Borough
Parcel ID No: 080-034-00-00-0002-00
Total amount: \$5.15
8. Transamerica for Kenneth G. Janson (1997 County Tax)
Tax Service
100 Lindenwood Road
Malvern, PA 19533
District: North Strabane Township
Parcel ID No: 520-007-00-00-0004-00
Total amount: \$8.48
9. Ames Department Stores, Inc. (1995 & 1996 County Tax)
2418 Main Street
Rocky Hill, CT 06067
ATTN: MS#1120
District: Peters Township
Parcel ID No: 540-010-00-00-0029-00
Total amount: \$5,569.98
Tax ID 06-1354132
10. Kenneth E. Crile & Irma M. Young (1997 County Tax)
61 Hickory Road
Scenery Hill, PA 15360
District: Somerset Township
Parcel ID No: 580-013-00-00-0057-03
Total amount: \$10.56
S. S. #210-24-0559
11. Amy M. Mancini (1997 County Tax)
Mortgage Service Center
P.O. Box 8469 ATTN: B. Mulachik
Canton, OH 44711
District: Cecil Township
Parcel ID No: 140-011-00-00-0056-06
Total amount: \$500.97
S.S.#198-56-3038

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12. Edward & Teresa Kopko (1997 County Tax)
65 Cort Street
Washington, PA 15301
District: Washington 7th Ward
Parcel ID No: 770-005-00-02-0002-00
Total amount: \$48.57
S. S. #195-18-3646
13. Fleet Mortgage for D. Burton (1997 County Tax)
American RE Tax Division
620 W. Germantown Pike
Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462
District: Charleroi Borough
Parcel ID No: 160-014-00--02-0022-00
Total amount: \$29.77
S. S. #216-02-0256
14. National City Bank 06-403 (1997 County Tax)
%Washington County Treasurer's Office
Courthouse Square
Washington, PA 15301
District: Monongahela 2nd Ward
Parcel ID No: 430-005-00-02-0002-00
Total amount: \$2,882.19
15. Rural Development, USDA (1997 County Tax)
P.O. Box 329
Meadowlands, PA 15347
District: Union Township
Parcel No: 640-003-07-00-0005-00
Total amount: \$23.77
16. James C. & Pamela S. Rocco (1997 County Tax)
128 Brookwood Road
Venetia, PA 15367
District: Peters Township
Parcel ID No: 540-006-00-00-0001-01
Total amount: \$29.57
S. S. #206-42-1882

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

OPENING OF BIDS

Controller Belcastro opened and read the following bids:

AUTO COMMUNICATIONS DIALER CONTRACT

1. Dialogic Communications Corporation
1106 Harpeth Industrial Court
Franklin, TN 37064

TOTAL AMOUNT OF BID: \$15,900.00

A Cashier's Check in the amount of \$1,590.00 accompanied the bid.

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

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Joseph A. Ford, Sr.
Diana L. Irey
J. Bracken Burns, Sr.

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There being no further business, Chairman Ford declared the meeting adjourned at approximately

10:40 a.m.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL:

April 14, 1997

ATTEST: Michelle R. Miller
CHIEF CLERK