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BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

WASHINGTON COUNTY, PENNSYLVANIA

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Minute No. 860

Washington County Commissioners

Washington, Pennsylvania, May 21, 2009

The Washington County Board of Commissioners met in a 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: Lynn DeHaven, Solicitor; Mary Helicke, Chief Clerk; Linda Belcher, Administrative Assistant; Scott Fergus, Director of Administration; Joy Sprowls, JoAnn Metz and Brittney Bushmire, Commissioners' Office; Tim Kimmel, Human Services; Melanie Finney, Planning Commission; Charles Ringling, American Legion; Pastor Craig Kephart, Venice Presbyterian Church; Harry Wilson, Veterans Office; Herbert Hermann, Donald Arnold, Larry Wilson and Arthur Guy, members of the American Legion; Larry Spahr, Elections Office; Mary Lynn Spilak and Debbie DeStefano, Aging Services; Leslie Grenfell and Wilma Toth, Southwestern Pennsylvania Area Agency on Aging; seniors from the Burgettstown, Bentleyville, Canonsburg, California, Charleroi, Monongahela, Washington, Cross Creek, Beth Center and McDonald/Cecil Senior Centers; members of the Senior Action Council; representatives from Burgettstown Historic Train Station Restoration, Avella Regional Arena Improvement Project and Historic Deemston Borough Building Renovation Project; Bill McGowen, Jim Hott and Nathan Vitteck, Washington County Redevelopment Authority; John Adams, Fred Fleet and Carol Dunn, interested citizen; Barbara Miller, Observer-Reporter; and Jim Jefferson, WJPA.

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

Pastor Kephart led the meeting with a prayer.

Mr. Ringling led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Maggi entertained a motion to approve Minute No. 859 dated May 7, 2009 as written.

Moved by Ms. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving Minute No. 859 as written.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

SPECIAL ORDER OF BUSINESS

The Commissioners presented certificates of recognition to Herbert Hermann, Donald Arnold, Larry Wilson, Arthur Guy and Charles Ringling, members of the American Legion of Fredericktown and Finleyville, who have assisted the Veterans Office with distributing flags and markers throughout Washington County.

Mr. Wilson thanked the Board for the certificates and the group of men for taking time out of their schedules to decorate the graves of local veterans.

The Commissioners read a Proclamation declaring the month of May as "Older Americans Month" in Washington County.

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

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Spilak, of Aging Services, accepted the Proclamation and introduced her staff and Leslie Grenfell, Executive Director of the Southwestern Pennsylvania Area Agency on Aging.

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Ms. Grenfell commented on the importance of recognizing older Americans and made reference to the many programs available to seniors in Washington County.

On behalf of the Board of Commissioners, Bill McGowen, of the Washington County Redevelopment Authority, presented checks made available from the Local Share Account funds to officials of the Burgettstown Historic Train Station Restoration Project, Avella Regional Arena Improvement Project and Historic Deemston Borough Building Renovation Project.

Each group thanked the Board for the checks and stated that the funds will be used to complete their particular project.

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PUBLIC COMMENTS

Carol Dunn, of Canton Township and Judge of Elections in that area, addressed the Board regarding a confrontation with a voter that occurred at her polling place. She explained the incident, involving the voter and the constable and deputy constable, assigned to work at the polling place. She noted the voter does not live in Canton Township but has returned for the third time wanting to vote there. Ms. Dunn requested that the Commissioners look into this matter. The Board agreed that this should not be happening at a polling place and apologized to Ms. Dunn. Commissioner Burns directed Mr. Spahr to investigate the matter, including contacting both the constable and deputy constable.

Mr. Spahr commented on this incident and stated he would look into this matter. He did point out that a person is eligible to vote only where he or she actually lives, not where they work or own property but that Ms. Dunn performed her duties correctly by allowing this voter to vote a provisional ballot.

Fred Fleet, of Canton Township, made comments regarding a supervisor from his township that he feels is a racist. Mr. Fleet stated that there have been some situations involving his personal property and wanted someone to look into this issue. The Board explained that they have no jurisdiction to look into this but suggested Mr. Fleet contact the police and report the information to them.

John Adams, of Avella, addressed the Board regarding the bad economy and requested the Board not waste tax dollars on projects that will not benefit Washington County.

OLD BUSINESS

Solicitor DeHaven recommended the Board extend the contract for coffee service to AVI through July 31, 2010 at a total yearly cost of approximately \$11,000. This service is for the residents and families at the Health Center.

Moved by Ms. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the extension to the contract with AVI as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval to adopt a Resolution urging the General Assembly to adopt a responsible budget that maintains funding for core government services and does not shift costs to the local level.

Moved by Ms. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, adopting the foregoing Resolution.

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Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an agreement with the Pennsylvania State Archives Security Microfilm Program for a one-time handling fee of \$2.00 per roll. Additional fees are listed in the agreement for program management services. No County funds are required.

Moved by Ms. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the agreement with the Pennsylvania State Archives Security Microfilm Program.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval to ratify a five-year agreement with Verizon to run a fiber optic cable from the County Office Complex to the Washington County Health Center for voice and data traffic. The total monthly charge for this service is \$1,180 per month. This rate is regulated by the PUC.

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Ms. Irey, approving the ratification of the five-year agreement with Verizon as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the following appointments and reappointments:

Appointment of Joan Chapman to the Washington County Farmland Preservation Board for a three year term, replacing Ron Hart, effective through December 31, 2010.

Appointment of Commissioner Bracken Burns and Dr. Angelo Armenti to Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission's Water Planning Policy Committee.

Moved by Ms. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the foregoing appointments and reappointment.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval the Radiation Emergency Response Fund Grant Application for the period July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010. The grant in the amount of \$10,498 is to improve emergency preparedness in case of a nuclear incident at the Beaver Valley Power Plant. No County funds are required.

Moved by Ms. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the Radiation Emergency Response Fund Grant Application as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval of a grant application for Southwestern

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Pennsylvania Legal Services for the Rural Housing and Economic Development Program through U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. This program serves low-income families with housing-related legal issues in Washington, Greene, Fayette and Somerset Counties. No County funds are required.

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Ms. Irej, approving the grant application for Southwestern Pennsylvania Legal Services as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval of a deed easement with Beverly S. and Gary D. Gilley in the amount of \$600 for a permanent easement of 0.02 acres from their 1.138 acre parcel in Centerville Borough for the purpose of replacing the Two Mile Run Bridge on Noble Road.

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Ms. Irej, approving the deed easement with Beverly S. and Gary D. Gilley as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval provider service agreements for the Child Care Information Services Office with the list of previously approved providers. The agreements will automatically renew until either party notifies the other party, in writing, of their intent not to renew under the current terms.

Edward R. Walsh, Finleyville, PA
 George Hill, Belle Vernon, PA
 Glenna Burnsworth, Charleroi, PA
 Jennifer Fink, Charleroi, PA
 Dolly Ryan, Washington, PA
 Marissa Crile, Canonsburg, PA
 Rhonda Hammonds, Clairton, PA

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

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an agreement with the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) to provide housing and supportive services to homeless individuals and families in the amount of \$1,040,004. The time periods for these twelve month agreements range from May 1, 2009 through December 31, 2010. No county funds are required.

Moved by Ms. Irej, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the agreement with the Department of Housing and Urban Development as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

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Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval of the following allocation adjustment for the Children and Youth Services Office for the period of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. No additional County funds are required.

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
White Deer Run, Inc.	\$ 500,000	\$ 625,000

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Ms. Irey, approving the allocation adjustment for Children and Youth Services as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval of the following allocation adjustments Mental Health/Mental Retardation Office for the period of July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009. No additional County funds are required.

	<u>FROM</u>	<u>TO</u>
Acumen Fiscal Agent	\$ 30,000	\$ 78,000
Community Transition Connection	440,000	530,000
Diversified Human Services	1,858,581	1,900,581
McGuire Memorial Homes, Inc.	145,203	255,118
National Mentor Healthcare LLC	2,086,570	2,490,307
Residential Recovery Services	655,510	822,080
Washington Communities MH/MR Center	1,649,260	1,852,260
Washington-Greene ARS, Inc.	<u>3,002,785</u>	<u>3,060,000</u>
TOTAL	\$ 9,867,909	\$ 10,988,346

Moved by Ms. Irey, seconded Mr. Burns, approving the allocation adjustments for Mental Health/Mental Retardation as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval of the Washington County Mental Health Plan for the period of 2009-2012. This plan includes updates for the 2009/10 fiscal year and no additional County funds are required.

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Ms. Irey, approving the Washington County Mental Health Plan as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval of an amendment to HealthChoices Behavioral Health Agreement with the Department of Public Welfare in the amount of \$32,000,000 for the period of July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2011. This amendment incorporates required state and federal changes into the agreement and no County funds are required.

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Ms. Irey, approving the foregoing amendment to HealthChoices Behavioral Health Agreement.

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Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval of an agreement with Harmony Hospice to provide hospice care services for a terminally ill patient at the Washington County Health Center. No County funds are required.

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Ms. Irey, approving the agreement with Harmony Hospice as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval of a Purchase of Service Agreement with Youth Educational Services – Yes Academy for the provision of fire setter treatment services. The term of this agreement is from July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 and the authorized agreement amount is \$50,000. No additional County funds are required.

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Ms. Irey, approving the Purchase of Service Agreement with Youth Educational Services – Yes Academy as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval to leasing additional monitoring equipment for offenders. This equipment would be leased at \$1.51 /day for the bracelets with an additional cost of \$3.02/day for those offenders that need cellular technology. Additionally, if ordered by the Court, Adult Probation Office may utilize a GPS system also at \$7.86/day. Adult Probation Office is in the process of developing a new fee structure for offenders on the monitoring program. Each offender would pay \$10/day for the monitoring and a one time \$50 installation fee. This purchase is in accordance with the pricing on the PA State Contract and is effective May 1, 2009 through April 30, 2012.

Moved by Ms. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the purchase for leasing additional equipment for offenders as per above.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an addendum to a contract with H & H Water Controls, Inc., Carmichaels Pa. This contract is for water testing at the Parks in accordance with the Safe Drinking Water Act. The addendum will increase the cost of most of the tests by \$2 to \$3 each. This contract is not to exceed \$4,000 per year.

Moved by Ms. Irey, seconded by Mr. Burns, approving the contract with H & H Water Controls, Inc. as per above.

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Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval an agreement with Allan's Waste Water Service, Inc, Holbrook, PA for the purpose of providing portable restroom facilities for the Department of Parks and Recreation and for election polls. The rates are:

Regular Unit \$65 per unit per month
Handicap Unit \$110 per unit per month

This agreement is in effect from date of award date of award through May 31, 2010. Three prices were obtained and this was the lowest price received. This service will not exceed \$10,000.

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Ms. Irely, approving the foregoing agreement with Allan's Waste Water Service, Inc.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk presented to the Board for their consideration and approval to adopt a Resolution approving the plan revisions and amendments to the Community Development Block Grant and Home Investment Partnership Programs which are part of the County's Consolidated Action Plan.

Moved by Mr. Burns, seconded by Ms. Irely, adopting the foregoing Resolution.

Roll call vote taken:

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

Motion carried unanimously.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

An executive session was held on May 20, 2009 immediately following the Agenda Meeting as an information session related to personnel and litigation styled Deborah Braden v. Washington County in the United States District Court for the Western District of Pennsylvania at #08-cv- 574.

The quarterly Retirement Board Meeting will be held immediately following today's meeting.

County Offices will be closed on May 25, 2009 in observance of the Memorial Day holiday.

SOLICITOR

None

There being no further business, Chairman Maggi declared the meeting adjourned at approximately 11:10 a.m.

THE FOREGOING MINUTES SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL

_____ June 1, 2009

ATTEST: Mary E Helicke
CHIEF CLERK