

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

June 3, 2015

The Regular Meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners was held this day at 10:00 am, at the Bucks County Playhouse, 70 South Main Street, New Hope, Pennsylvania. In attendance were Commissioner Robert G. Loughery, Chairman; Commissioner Charles H. Martin, Vice Chairman; and Commissioner Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia. Chairman Loughery opened the meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Loughery introduced Alex Fraser, Playhouse Producing Director, who thanked everyone for coming and shared some information regarding changes to the theater and the opening of their summer season. The Chairman recognized county row officer, Mary Smithson, Clerk of Courts.

PRESENTATIONS

Chairman Loughery introduced Nancy Larkin Taylor of Bucks for Kids (B4K), recognizing that June is “Graduate Month.” Ms. Taylor thanked the Commissioners for their support over the years and spoke about B4K and the growth of their scholarship program. She introduced one of this year’s scholarship recipients, Krishna Patel, who shared information about her experiences in foster care. Ms. Taylor and Chairman Loughery both referenced the recent event celebrating the 50 year anniversary of the Children & Youth Advisory Board, noting that the proceeds would benefit B4K. Chairman Loughery acknowledged Martha and Jack Jameson, and thanked them both for their service on both the B4K and the Children & Youth Advisory Boards.

Kathy Salisbury, from the Penn State Cooperative Extension, advised that she has taken over for Scott Guiser, who had retired after thirty-seven years. She said she was very excited to inherit the “Fresh from Bucks County Farms” directory project, thanking the Commissioners for their support and presenting them with copies of the directory and fresh picked strawberries from Charlann Farm in Yardley. Ms. Salisbury spoke about the various array of products cultivated by Bucks County farmers and highlighted some of the information contained in the directory. 10,000 copies of this directory are printed each year and distributed through the Bucks County library system, participating farms, markets, local municipal buildings, and various events like the Grange Fair.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Agenda Items

None

OLD BUSINESS

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, seconded by Commissioner Martin, with the vote being 2-0-1, the minutes for the regular meeting of May 20, 2015 were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Loughery read through the agenda, providing clarification and addressing questions and comments.

Item 3b – Commissioner Martin expressed his concerns regarding this agenda item. While admitting that McCormick Taylor does good work, he advised that the other proposal was for less money, was from a Bucks County firm, and there were no “cons” listed by the evaluation committee. Chairman Loughery expressed support for using McCormick Taylor citing their expertise and experience, particularly with PennDOT and accessing Act 13 money. He said they should save more money in the long run with potential reimbursement and timing of the project.

RESOLUTIONS

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia seconded by Commissioner Martin, with the vote being 3-0, the following Resolutions were approved with the exception of item 3b which passed with a vote of 2-1 with Commissioner Martin opposing.

RESOLVED, that the Bucks County Board of Commissioners upon the recommendation of the BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, approve the following:

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>WITH</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1. CHILDREN & YOUTH	a. Big Brothers/Big Sisters of Bucks County Jamison, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide counseling and Options case management services. 7/1/14 – 6/30/15	\$462,704** (County 20%)

2. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS	a. Carousel Industries of North America Exeter, RI	Approve contract for maintenance support services. 7/1/15 – 12/31/16	\$509,434.90 (County 100%)
3. GENERAL SERVICES	a. Eastern Highway Specialists Wilmington, DE	Approve contract extension for repairs to Bridge #221, located at Traugers Crossing over Gallows Run in Nockamixon Township. 5/12/15 - 6/8/15	
	b. McCormick Taylor Exton, PA	Approve contract for engineering, design, and construction consultation services for Bucks County Bridge #15 on Frosty Hollow Road over Mill Creek in Middletown Twp. and Bridge #280 on Brownsburg Road over Jericho Creek in Upper Makefield Twp. (Subject to final approval by County Solicitor)	\$178,180 (County 100%)
	c. T-Mobile Northeast LLC Bellevue, WA	Approve contract increase and extension for lease of space on Lower Southampton Cell Tower. 1/1/15 – 12/31/29	\$461,761.34 (Revenue)
4. HEALTH	a. Pennsylvania Department of Health, Office of Public Health Preparedness Harrisburg, PA	Approve annual federal grant for the Pennsylvania Health Department's Public Health Preparedness Program. 7/1/15 – 6/30/16	\$483,205 (Revenue)
5. HUMAN RESOURCES	a. Jeffrey Gross, Esquire c/o Batt & Gross, Philadelphia, PA	Approve settlement of workers' compensation claim.	\$6,000 (County 100%)
	b. Vickie Shastay Bensalem, PA	Approve settlement of workers' compensation claim.	\$24,000 (County 100%)
	c. Vickie Shastay Bensalem, PA	Approve employee settlement release.	
6. NESHAMINY MANOR	a. ROMED Ambulance Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract amendment to change to Unit Cost.	
7. PLANNING COMMISSION	a. Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide funding for annual program of transportation and regional planning. 7/1/14 – 6/30/15	\$166,106 (County 100%)
	b. New Britain Borough	Approve contract to complete the Butler Avenue Study. 9/25/14 – 6/30/16	\$10,000 (Revenue)
8. YOUTH CENTER	a. US Foods Allentown, PA	Approve contract increase and extension to purchase food supplies through U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance. 7/1/15 – 12/31/15	\$40,000** (County 50%)
9. OTHER CIVICS	a. Bucks County Playhouse James Michener Arts Center Twilight Wish Foundation	Approve Payment	\$1,000 \$25,000 \$2,400

*Unit Cost/Estimated for operational purposes only. ** Unit Cost/Not to Exceed

The Other Civics contributions to the James Michener Arts Center and the Twilight Wish Foundation were approved with a vote being 3-0. The contribution to the Bucks County Playhouse was approved with a vote of 2-1 with Commissioner Marseglia opposed. Commissioner Marseglia explained that she was not happy that the staff attending the meeting were charged for parking even after it was requested that they not have to. They will now have to be reimbursed with taxpayer money. She was equally frustrated that New Hope Borough also refused to let them park on the streets for free for an hour during the meeting.

AND the proper officers are authorized to execute all documents necessary to carry this Resolution into effect.

II. MISCELLANEOUS

By roll call vote as follows: Chairman Loughery - aye, Commissioner Martin – aye, and Commissioner Marseglia – aye, and with the vote being 3-0, the following miscellaneous item was approved.

Approve Ordinance No. 147, authorizing and directing the incurrence of nonelectoral and electoral debt of the County of Bucks, Pennsylvania (the “County”), by the issuance of its General Obligation Bonds, Series Of 2015, in the approximate aggregate principal amount not to exceed forty-two million eight hundred fifty thousand and 00/100 dollars (\$42,850,000.00) (the “Bonds”) for the purposes of providing funds for and towards financing: The current refunding of the County’s outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series Of 2005, the advance refunding of a portion of the County’s outstanding General Obligation Bonds, Series Of 2007, and paying costs, fees and expenses related to the issuance of the Bonds; Authorizing the refunding program; Authorizing the Bonds; Authorizing the approved officers of the County to execute the Bonds and to take other appropriate or necessary actions to carry out the purposes of the Ordinance.

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Gordon Walker, Managing Director at the PFM Group, introduced members of the finance team: Brad Remig and Todd Kowalski from PFM; Vince Magyar from Hill Wallack, author of the ordinance; Hank Van Blunk from Eastburn and Gray, responsible for the official statement used to sell the bonds and get the credit rating; George Werner from Piper Jaffray; and Bill Carlin from Boenning & Scattergood. Mr. Walker further commented on the AAA credit rating and provided some detail on the resultant savings to the County. Chairman Loughery offered his thanks to the team, including Chief Operating Officer Brian Hesselthaler and County Finance Director Dave Boscola.

PERSONNEL

Upon motion of Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Marseglia, with the vote being 3-0, the following Personnel Actions were approved:

APPOINTMENTS

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
1.	Clarke Bittner J.R. #2762	Seasonal Help Unit 00	Parks Recreation Services 40.0 hrs/wk	06/06/15	8.25 PH
2.	Ryan C. Donahue J.R. #2762	Seasonal Help Unit 00	Parks Recreation Services 40.0 hrs/wk	06/06/15	8.25 PH
3.	Nicole A. Foster J.R. #2762	Seasonal Help Unit 00	Parks Recreation Services 40.0 hrs/wk	06/04/15	9.00 PH
4.	Karen L. Frable J.R. #2834	Security Screener – PD Unit 00	Security 12.5 hrs/wk	06/04/15	12.73 PH
5.	Deborah A. Kirkner J.R. #2745	Assistant Project Admin Unit 00	Housing & Community Development 40.0 hrs/wk	06/15/15	25.73 PH
6.	Nicholas Macaluso J.R. #2762	Seasonal Help Unit 00	Parks Recreation Services 40.0 hrs/wk	06/04/15	8.09 PH
7.	Sean P. McVan J.R. #2793	Seasonal Help Unit 00	General Services 40.0 hrs/wk	06/15/15	11.55 PH
8.	Morgan E. Miller J.R. #2762	Seasonal Help Unit 00	Parks Recreation Services 40.0 hrs/wk	06/06/15	9.00 PH
9.	Brian K. Mohacsi J.R. #2793	Seasonal Help Unit 00	General Services 40.0 hrs/wk	06/22/15	11.55 PH
10.	Anthony J. Pomante J.R. #2717	Food Service Attendant – PD Unit 03	NM Dietary Services 24.0 hrs/wk	06/15/15	12.01 PH
11.	Dawn D. VanDoren J.R. #2762	Seasonal Help Unit 00	Parks Recreation Services 40.0 hrs/wk	06/04/15	8.09 PH

REHIRE

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
12.	Joseph W. Cepparulo J.R. #2690 Sep Date 09/28/12	Coordinator Unit 03	Tax Claim Bureau 35.0 hrs/wk	06/15/15	21.76 PH
13.	Thomas E. Rorvik J.R. #2778 Sep Date 10/05/12	Consumer Investigator Unit 03	Consumer Protection/Wts & Meas. 40.0 hrs/wk	06/08/15	24.69 PH

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NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
14. Donna K. Moyer J.R. #2516	Dispatcher Trainee – PD Unit 03 To Dispatcher I Unit 03	911 Emergency Response 30.0 hrs/wk To 911 Emergency Response 40.0 hrs/wk	06/13/15	13.52 PH To 24.69 PH
15. Rosalie Scheidler J.R. #2516	Dispatcher Trainee – PD Unit 03 To Dispatcher I Unit 03	911 Emergency Response 30.0 hrs/wk To 911 Emergency Response 40.0 hrs/wk	06/13/15	13.52 PH To 24.69 PH

POSITION CHANGE

NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
16. Tyler S. Dockstader J.R. #2762	Seasonal Help Unit 00 To Seasonal Help Unit 00	Parks Recreation Services 40.0 hrs/wk To Parks Recreation Services 40.0 hrs/wk	06/04/15	9.00 PH To 10.50 PH
17. Brien E. Hansen J.R. #2762	Seasonal Help Unit 00 To Seasonal Help Unit 00	Parks Recreation Services 40.0 hrs/wk To Parks Recreation Services 40.0 hrs/wk	06/04/15	8.25 PH To 10.50 PH
18. Charles V. Johnson, Jr. J.R. #2810	Food Service Attendant – PD Unit 03 To Food Service Attendant – PD Unit 03	NM Dietary Services 24.0 hrs/wk To NM Dietary Services 40.0 hrs/wk	06/13/15	12.25 PH To 12.25 PH
19. Michael A. Reodig J.R. #2815	Planner Unit 46 To Senior Planner Unit 45	Planning Administrative 40.0 hrs/wk To Planning Administrative 40.0 hrs/wk	06/04/15	35.18 PH To 35.94 PH

TRANSFER

NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
20. Christopher J. Simeone	Corrections Officer Unit 01 To Community Corrections Officer Unit 01	Main Jail 40.0 hrs/wk To MCCC 40.0 hrs/wk	06/06/15	20.44 PH To 26.08 PH

SEPARATIONS

NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
21. Dawnmarie G. Brady	Dispatcher Trainee	911 Emergency Response	05/22/15	Separation
22. Karen L. Caruso	Seasonal Help	Parks Recreation Services	05/12/15	Separation
23. Stacey A. Deans	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing Assistants	05/27/15	Separation
24. Samuel J. DiValentino	Security Screener – PD	Security	05/15/15	Separation
25. Cristy Kreuzscher	Nursing Assistant – PT	NM Nursing Assistants	05/18/15	Separation**
26. Adrienne S. McGinley	County Caseworker II	Children & Youth	06/05/15	Separation
27. Christopher C. Mitchell	Dispatcher III	911 Emergency Response	05/23/15	Separation
28. Anna L. Mulnix	County Info Tech Generalist II	MH/DP Admin	05/22/15	Separation
29. Kelsey M. Roe	Seasonal Help	Parks Recreation Services	05/23/15	Separation

*estimated date **Never Started ***Agreement ****Reinstatement

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BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Upon motion of Commissioner Martin, seconded by Chairman Loughery, with the vote being 3-0, the following appointments were approved:

Solid Waste Advisory Committee

Harry Fawkes, Jr.	Reappointment	term expires 6/1/17
Arthur Feltes	Reappointment	term expires 6/1/17
Walter Leck	Reappointment	term expires 6/1/17
Jay McLaughlin	Reappointment	term expires 6/1/17
David Newman	Reappointment	term expires 6/1/17
Peter Palestina	Reappointment	term expires 6/1/17
Charles Raudenbush, Jr.	Reappointment	term expires 6/1/17
Gary Roberts	Reappointment	term expires 6/1/17

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EXECUTIVE REPORTS

Brian Hessenthaler, Chief Operating Officer, reported on the following:

Bond Refunding – Thanks to Dave Boscola and Russell Rice and their Finance team on a great job.

Dedication – There will be a brief dedication ceremony of the Bucks County POW-MIA chair at 10 a.m. on Friday, June 12 in the new Justice Center lobby.

Construction Management Award – Congratulations to the General Services Department and Joseph Jingoli and Son, Inc. for winning the Construction Management Association of America, Mid-Atlantic Chapter “2015 Public Building Projects Over \$20 Million Award.”

Lynn T. Bush, Chief Clerk, reported on the following:

Interstate 95/Pennsylvania Turnpike Connector project - Next January a unique “all electronic tolling system” will be set up on the Turnpike. If you don’t have EZ Pass it will take a picture of your license plate and send you a bill. It will be one of the first of its kind in the northeast United States, and is part of a much bigger project that will enable I95 to continue smoothly from Florida to Maine.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Kevin Dolton from Newtown Township and board member of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Bucks County thanked the Commissioners for their continued support of their agency. He was accompanied by Suzanne Hartshorne, Board Treasurer and Steve Gourley, Director of Options Services.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next public meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners will take place at 10 a.m. on Wednesday, June 17, 2015 at the Lower Bucks County Chamber of Commerce, 409 Hood Blvd., Fairless Hills, PA 19030.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Commissioner Martin, seconded by Commissioner Marseglia, with the vote being 3-0, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved: June 17, 2015

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BY:

Robert G. Loughery
Chairman

Charles H. Martin
Commissioner

Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia
Commissioner

Lynn T. Bush, *Chief Clerk*