

## BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

May 23, 2007

The Regular Meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, May 23, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. at the Forrest Lodge – VFW Post 245, 2118 Old Bethlehem Pike, Sellersville, PA. In attendance were Commissioner Charles H. Martin, Chairman, Commissioner James F. Cawley, Esq. and Commissioner Sandra A. Miller. Commissioner Martin opened the meeting with a moment of silence and asked retired military General Niles to lead the Pledge of Allegiance. General Niles asked everyone to keep in mind the military servicemen and women stationed around the world who make our freedom possible. He then lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

### INTRODUCTIONS

Commissioner Martin acknowledged County elected officials who were present at the meeting: Mary Smithson, Clerk of Courts, Barbara Reilly, Register of Wills and Bill Snyder, Treasurer. He also recognized Pat Wolf from State Representative Paul Clymer's Office (145<sup>th</sup> District).

### PROCLAMATIONS

The Commissioners proclaimed May 29 through June 8, 2007 as "BUCKS COUNTY SENIOR GAMES 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY DAY" throughout the County celebrating a quarter of a century of efforts by Area Agency on Aging and Parks and Recreation who bring quality events to the seniors of Bucks County. Jill Unger and Bill Mitchell, Parks and Recreation and Jim Kinney, Area Agency on Aging, accepted spoke about the overwhelming turnout of the annual games. They thanked the Commissioners and relayed how enjoyable the event is and encouraged people to participate or perhaps even volunteer to help during the games.

The Commissioners proclaimed May 2007 as "HEALTHY BABIES MONTH" throughout the County encouraging all Bucks Countians to recognize the vital role that prenatal and infant care play in the development of children. Ginger Ferlise, Grandview Hospital's Healthy Beginnings Plus Program accepted and spoke about the prenatal clinic that allows women of lower income access to prenatal care and stressed the importance of educating women in order to prevent problems. She said she is proud of the work she does and thanked the Commissioners for their support.

The Commissioners proclaimed May 24, 2007 as "SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF INDIAN ROCK DAY" throughout the County congratulating the organization on its 35<sup>TH</sup> anniversary and acknowledging the considerable contributions of Soroptimist International members to their communities. Debbie Schiesser and Margo Hunt of Soroptimist International, North Atlantic Region accepted and thanked the Commissioners for their support.

The Commissioners proclaimed May 2007 as "OLDER AMERICANS MONTH" throughout the County recognizing the efforts of the Bucks County Area Agency on Aging in maintaining the quality of life older Bucks Countians deserve. Barbara Reilly and Nancy Keenan, Advisory Council of Area Agency on Aging accepted. They spoke about a new center that will be opening in the Penridge area as well as the many programs and active senior centers throughout the County and thanked the Commissioners for their continued support.

The Commissioners proclaimed May 20 through May 26, 2007 as "EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES WEEK" throughout the County honoring the men and women whose professional diligence serves to keep our county and its citizens safe. Darien Dersteine, EMS Chief's Association/Upper Bucks Regional EMS, Kermit Gorr, St. Luke's Quakertown EMS and Jeryl DeGideo, Emergency Health Services accepted. They spoke about the importance of rescue squads and thanked the Commissioners on behalf of all the EMS units throughout the County. They also reminded everyone to support their local units.

The Commissioners proclaimed May 23, 2007 as "228<sup>TH</sup> FORWARD SUPPORT BATTALION DAY" throughout the County commending the soldiers of the 228<sup>TH</sup> FSB for their important work and honoring all servicemen and women, past and present, for their courage and patriotism on Armed Forces Day. National Guard 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Anthony S. Delia and Sgt. Moore accepted. They spoke about their call to duty and overseas deployment and were proud to be able to bring their entire squad home. They thanked the Commissioners for their support and said they would present the proclamation to the rest of the battalion at an event in June.

Dan Fraley, Director, Military Affairs, spoke about the amount of veterans living in Bucks County and introduced some that were present at the meeting. He also informed us of services and programs available to the veterans of Bucks County as well as some of the legislative efforts that have been made on behalf of veterans.

### PRESENTATIONS

Stacey Hajdak, Public Information Director and U.S. Army Reserve Major, presented the Commissioners with a “My Boss is a Patriot Award” in recognition of their support when Maj. Hajdak was called to duty during her employment with the county. She spoke about her deployment to Iraq five years ago as well as her recent service when she trained Military Police at a base in New Jersey and thanked the Commissioners on behalf of all the reservist and National Guardsman for the support she received.

Penny Larrissy displayed one of the quilts made by the Boys Program and informed everyone that chances on the quilts will be available after the meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Upon motion of Mr. Cawley, seconded by Miss Miller, with the vote being 3-0, the Minutes of May 9, 2007 were approved.

DISCUSSION/AGENDA RELATED ITEMS

- Rich Harvey, Agricultural Preservation, spoke on item 1a.
- David Sanko, Chief Operating Officer, spoke on item 4a.
- Vitor Vicente, Community & Business, spoke on items 5a-c.
- Harris Gubernick, Corrections, spoke on item 6a.
- Lynn Bush, Planning Commission, spoke on item 12c.
- Joe Bush, Public Works, spoke on items 14a-f.

Robert Jones, Saul Ewing, Gordon Walker, Financial Advisor and Paul Clancy, AG Edwards spoke regarding Ordinance 128 and 129.

NEW BUSINESS

Upon motion of Mr. Cawley, seconded by Miss Miller, with the vote being 3-0, the following Resolutions were approved.

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

I. CONTRACTS OR AGREEMENTS

	<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>WITH</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1.	AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION	a. John and Linda Keller Coopersburg, PA	Approve county’s portion of conservation easement on 137.51 acres of the Keller Farm located on Crowthers Road in Springfield Township. (TMP’s 42-8-29-3, 42-9-23 and 42-9-134)	\$660,048. (+settlement charges and adjustments)
2.	AREA AGENCY ON AGING	a. Rockhill Mennonite Community ADC Sellersville, PA	Approve contract increase to provide adult daycare services. 7/1/06 – 6/30/07	\$5,000.**
3.	BOARD OF ASSESSMENT	a. Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development Harrisburg, PA	Approve grant application and authorize related documents for reimbursement of expenses to implement the Homeowner Property Tax Relief Act 72.	\$113,324. Revenue
4.	COMMISSIONERS	a. Borough of Doylestown Doylestown, PA	Approve Agreement for purchase of National Guard Armory property located at 97 Shewell Avenue, Doylestown (TMP #8-4-358)	\$1.
5.	COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS	a. Department of Community & Economic Development	Approve grant contract extension to complete implementation of	

	DEVELOPMENT	Harrisburg, PA	transitional housing project. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	
		b. DIJAS Capital, LLC Bensalem, PA	Approve submission of Revolving Loan Fund Application and authorize related documents for acquisition of building located in Bensalem Township. 5/07 – 5/14	\$150,000.
		c. US Department of Housing and Urban Development Washington, DC	Approve submission of the 2007 Continuum of Care Grant and authorize related documents to provide funding for homeless assistance projects.	\$952,294. Revenue
6.	CORRECTIONS	a. Mobilease Modular Space Thorofare, NJ	Approve contract change order to relocate modular building to site at correctional facility.	\$4,475.
7.	INFORMATION SERVICES	a. AVAYA Lincroft, NJ	Approve out-of-county travel to attend communication training. 6/1/07 – 10/31/07	4,503.**
8.	JUVENILE PROBATION	a. Neighborhood First Program, Inc. Bristol	Approve 2007 Summer program for middle school students with truancy related problems. (Bristol Twp. School District) 7/1/06 – 6/30/07	\$6,000.
		b. Neshaminy School District Langhorne, PA	Approve 2007 Summer PASS Program for middle school students with truancy related problems. 7/1/06 – 6/30/07	\$6,000.
		c. Pennsbury School District Fallsington, PA	Approve 2007 Summer PASS Program for middle school students with truancy related problems. 7/1/06 – 6/30/07	\$5,000.
9.	MH/MR	a. Access Services, Inc. Fort Washington, PA	Approve contract increase to provide supported living, habilitation, transportation and respite services. 7/1/06 – 6/30/07	\$45,292.**
		b. Associated Production Services, Inc. Doylestown, PA	Approve contract increase for additional transportation service. 7/1/06 – 6/30/07	\$1,000.**
		c. BARC Holicong, PA	Approve contract increase to provide supervised living and pre-vocational services. 7/1/06 – 6/30/07	\$185,001.**
		d. Children and Adult Disability and Educational Services Swarthmore, PA	Approve contract increase to provide disability and educational services. 7/1/06 – 6/30/07	\$1,500.**

	e.	Lynch Community Homes, Inc. Willow Grove, PA	Approve contract to provide developmental and pre-vocational training, and supervised and supported living services. 7/1/06 – 6/30/07	\$628,003.**	
	f.	Special People in Northeast, Inc. Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract increase for provision of additional competitive employment service. 7/1/06 – 6/30/07	\$2,349.**	
10.	NESHAMINY MANOR	a.	Sunrise Medical Continuing Care Group Stevens Point, WI	Approve contract extension and increase to purchase low to the floor electric beds. 3/1/07 – 2/28/08	\$30,294.40*
11.	PARKS AND RECREATION	a.	Atlantic Tactical New Cumberland, PA	Approve contract to provide uniforms for park rangers. 6/1/07 – 5/31/10	\$24,882.*
12.	PLANNING COMMISSION	a.	Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission Philadelphia, PA	Approve Agreement for county participation in the regional transportation planning process. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$80,000. Revenue
		b.	Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission Philadelphia, PA	Approve Agreement for county participation in on-going public transit and para-transit planning process. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$49,600. Revenue
		c.	Edwards and Kelcey Morristown, NJ	Approve contract increase to expand the project limits of the Quakertown Rail Restoration Alternatives Analysis. 10/1/06 – 9/1/07	\$60,000.
13.	PUBLIC DEFENDER	a.	County Commissioners Association of PA Harrisburg, PA	Approve payment for conversion of data from mainframe to LegalEdge application database.	\$10,500.
14.	PUBLIC WORKS	a.	ABJ Sprinkler Co., Inc. Glassboro, NJ	Approve fire protection contract for new District Court and Government Services Building in Richland Township.	\$196,000.
		b.	B&E Boiler Works, Inc. Red Hill, PA	Approve mechanical construction contract for new District Court in Richland Township	\$165,000.
		c.	Fisher Mechanical, Inc. Horsham, PA	Approve plumbing contract for new District Court and Government Services Building in Richland Township	\$164,400.
		d.	Magnum Inc. Warminster, PA	Approve general construction contract for new District Court and Government Services Building in Richland Township.	\$2,967,000.*
		e.	N.B. Rodgers, Inc. Gilbertsville, PA	Approve mechanical construction contract for new Government Services Building in Richland Township	\$308,000.

	f.	Reel Electric Inc. Warminster, PA	Approve electrical contract for new District Court and Government Services Building in Richland Township.	\$290,250.
	g.	Pro Com Roofing Warrington, PA	Approve roofing contract for Administration Building Penthouse roof replacement.	\$60,350.
15.	OTHER CIVICS	a.	School Works Program	Approve Payment. \$2,000.

\*Unit Cost/Estimated for operational purposes only.

\*\*Unit Cost/Not to exceed

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

**PERSONNEL LIST**

Upon motion of Mr. Cawley, seconded by Miss Miller, with the vote being 3-0, the following Personnel Actions were approved:

**APPOINTMENTS**

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>DATE*</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
1.	Janet M. Bruch	Custodian/NMH (temp) Unit 02	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	05/29/07	11.21 PH
2.	Matthew L. Buselli	Seasonal Help/Lifeguard Unit 00	Parks and Recreation/OV 20.0 hrs/wk	05/02/07	7.90 PH +
3.	Bonnie L. Curtis	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 03	Nursing Services 24.0 hrs/wk	05/01/07	13.49 PH
4.	Shawn P. Diamond	Seasonal Help/Boat Handler Unit 00	Parks and Recreation/PV 20.0 hrs/wk	04/28/07	7.72 PH +
5.	Daniel A. DiNardo J.P. #069-07	Help Desk Specialist Unit 46	Information Technology 40.0 hrs/wk	06/11/07	37,855.45 PA 18.19 PH
6.	Benjamin L. Hughes	Seasonal Help Unit 00	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	06/09/07	11.21 PH
7.	William J. Martin III	Clerk Typist (temp) Unit 03	Board of Assessment 37.5 hrs/wk	07/02/07	11.55 PH
8.	Jennifer R. Metz	Activities Assistant Unit 03	NMH Activities 12.0 hrs/wk	05/07/07	13.26 PH
9.	Rachel E. Pullar	Seasonal Help/Lifeguard Unit 00	Parks and Recreation/TV 20.0 hrs/wk	05/19/07	7.00 PH +
10.	Rebecca M. Rabadi	Seasonal Help/Cashier Unit 00	Parks and Recreation/OV 20.0 hrs/wk	05/01/07	7.37 PH +
11.	Ian P. Ratcliffe	Museum Assistant Unit 00	Moravian Pottery & Tile Works 7.0 hrs/wk	05/12/07	9.42 PH
12.	Joy J. Rosales	Registered Nurse Unit 60	Nursing Pool 20.0 hrs/wk	05/16/07	33.08 PH
13.	Timothy J. Schmidt	QA Specialist/E (temp) Unit 00	Emergency Communications 40.0 hrs/wk	05/29/07	11.55 PH
14.	Stephen W. Ullrich, Jr.	Seasonal Help Unit 00	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	05/19/07	11.21 PH
15.	Matthew H. Walters	Seasonal Help/Lifeguard Unit 00	Parks and Recreation/OV 20.0 hrs/wk	05/14/07	7.90 PH +

**REHIRE**

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>DATE*</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
16.	Richard A. Woler Sep Date 08/21/06 PH	Seasonal Help/Boat Handler Unit 00	Parks and Recreation/CC 20.0 hrs/wk	05/01/07	8.73 PH +

**PROMOTION/DEMOTION**

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>DATE*</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
17.	Anne M. Bloenker	Adm/Soc Srv Intake Spec Unit 00 To Assistant Admissions Director Unit 00	NMH Social Works Service 40.0 hrs/wk To To NMH Social Works Service 40.0 hrs/wk	06/09/07	37,943.06 PA 18.24 PH To 40,443.06 PA 19.44 PH
18.	Ann V. Gordon J.P. #063-07	PHN II Unit 06 To PHN II – Quality Assurance Nurse Unit 06	Health 40.0 hrs/wk To To Health 40.0 hrs/wk	05/26/07	55,711.51 PA 26.78 PH To 55,711.51 PA 26.78 PH
19.	Susan M. Gricius J.P. #061-07	Nursing Assistant Unit 03 To Restorative Aide Unit 03	Nursing Services 40.0 hrs/wk To To Nursing Services 40.0 hrs/wk	05/26/07	31,862.68 PA 15.31 PH To 31,862.68 PA 15.31 PH
20.	Greg A. Haeflein J.P. #068-07	Help Desk Specialist Unit 46 To Desktop Support Specialist Unit 46	Information Technology 40.0 hrs/wk To To Information Technology 40.0 hrs/wk	05/26/07	39,607.69 PA 19.04 PH To 43,168.62 PA 20.75 PH
21.	Pamela J. Hueber	Admissions Coordinator Unit 00 To Admissions Director Unit 00	NMH Business Office 40.0 hrs/wk To To NMH Business Office 40.0 hrs/wk	06/09/07	53,732.26 PA 25.83 PH To 56,232.26 PA 27.03 PH
22.	David J. Strunk	Seasonal Help/Lifeguard (posi #5292) Unit 00 To Seasonal Help/Lifeguard (posi #5567) Unit 00	Parks and Recreation/TV 20.0 hrs/wk To To Parks and Recreation TV 20.0 hrs/wk	05/26/07	8.70 PH  To 8.70 PH

**TRANSFER**

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>DATE*</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
23.	Joyce E. Benedict	Corrections Officer Unit 01 To Corrections Officer Unit 01	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk To To Corrections/MCCC 40.0 hrs/wk	05/26/07	43,054.29 PA 20.69 PH To 43,054.29 PA 20.69 PH
24.	Robert F. Keough	GIS Manager Unit 00 To Senior Planner Unit 45	Information Technology 40.0 hrs/wk To To Planning Commission 40.0 hrs/wk	03/17/07	67,868.76 PA 32.62 PH To 65,892.00 PA 31.67 PH
25.	Christopher M. Lang	Corrections Officer Unit 01 To Deputy Sheriff Unit 05	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk To To Sheriff's Office 40.0 hrs/wk	05/26/07	33,744.63 PA 16.22 PH To 45,843.84 PA 22.04 PH
26.	Linda L. Myers J.P. #159-06	Aging Care Manager II Unit 04 To County QA/Risk Management Specialist Unit 04	Area Agency on Aging 37.5 hrs/wk To To MH/MR 37.5 hrs/wk	06/23/07	43,963.16 PA 22.54 PH To 46,018.03 PA 23.59 PH

**CHANGE OF HOURS**

NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
27. Josue Garconvil	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 03	Nursing Services 24.0 hrs/wk	05/16/07	13.49 PH
	To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	To Nursing Services 40.0hrs/wk		To 13.49 PH

**SALARY ADJUSTMENT**

NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
28. Daniel H. Assaraf	Seasonal Help/Boat Handler Unit 00	Parks and Recreation/CC 20.0 hrs/wk	05/26/07	8.23 PH
	To Seasonal Help/Boat Handler Unit 00	To Parks and Recreation/CC 20.0 hrs/wk		To 8.73 PH +
29. Brann S. Northcutt	Seasonal Help/Boat Handler Unit 00	Parks and Recreation/PV 20.0 hrs/wk	05/26/07	7.72 PH
	To Seasonal Help/Boat Handler Unit 00	To Parks and Recreation/PV 20.0 hrs/wk		To 8.22 PH +
30. Ashley M. Zidek	Seasonal Help/Cashier Unit 00	Parks and Recreation/OV 20.0 hrs/wk	05/26/07	7.35 PH
	To Seasonal Help/Cashier Unit 00	To Parks and Recreation/OV 20.0 hrs/wk		To 7.85 PH +

**CORRECTIONAL**

NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
31. Donna L. Dunn	Unit Secretary Unit 03	NM Administrative 40.0 hrs/wk	<b>05/12/07</b>	33,435.83 PA 16.07 PH
	To Unit Secretary Unit 03	To NM Administrative 40.0 hrs/wk		To 34,438.91 PA 16.55 PH
32. Martin E. Smith	Security Guard Trainee Unit 00	Security 40.0 hrs/wk	<b>05/14/07</b>	32,665.54 PA 15.70 PH
	To Security Guard Trainee Unit 00	To Security 40.0 hrs/wk		To 33,665.54 PA 16.18 PH

**SEPARATIONS**

NAME	TITLE	UN	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
33. Daphnee Alexandre	Nursing Assistant	30	Nursing Pool	05/03/07	Separation
34. Susan R. Baker	Secretary	03	Public Defender	05/11/07	Separation
35. Curt Di Furio	Shift Commander-Lt.	80	Corrections MCCC	05/12/07	Separation
36. Angelo Gargiulo	Seasonal Help	00	Public Works	05/04/07	Separation
37. Nora A. Greb	Seasonal Help/Lifeguard	00	Parks and Recreation/TV	05/04/07	Separation
38. Tanesia D. Jones	Corrections Officer	01	Corrections	05/02/07	Separation
39. Joanne M. Martin	Registered Nurse	06	Nursing Services	05/26/07	Separation
40. Janet M. Moran	Staffing Coordinator	03	Corrections	06/09/07	Separation
41. Richard D. Mullen, Jr.	Corrections Officer	01	Corrections	05/12/07	Separation
42. Geralyn T. Olsen	Nursing Assistant	03	Nursing Services	04/26/07	Separation
43. William J. Pfunk	Food Service Attendant – PT	03	Dining Services	05/03/07	Separation
44. Michael A. Stevenson	LPN	33	Nursing Services	05/08/07	Separation
45. Bessy M. Vizcarrondo	Nursing Assistant – PT	03	Nursing Services	05/08/07	Separation
46. John J. Wade III	Seasonal Help/Boat Handler	00	Parks and Recreation/CC	05/04/07	Separation
47. Franklin E. Williams	Corrections Officer	01	Corrections	04/27/07	Separation

+eligible for 50 cents/hour bonus if completes season

\*estimated date

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

**BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS**

Upon motion of Mr. Cawley, seconded by Miss Miller, with the vote as follows, 3-0, a Resolution was adopted to approve the following Budget Adjustment:

<u>Adjustment #05-009-0 Children &amp; Youth</u> Additional Funding for program year 2006/2007	\$230,200.
<u>Adjustment # 05-010-0 Planning Commission</u> Carryover funds from 2006	\$ 50,000.
<u>Adjustment # 05-011-0 Public Defender</u> Legal Edge System Grant Funds	\$ 31,100.

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

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Upon motion of Mr. Cawley, seconded by Miss Miller, with the vote as follows, 3-0, a Resolution was adopted to approve the following Appointments

Housing Development Corporation

Kimberly Scarpiello, reappointment – term expires 6/30/10

Senior Task Force

Brooke Moran, reappointment – term expires 5/6/10

Alice Vernon, reappointment – term expires 5/6/10

Workforce Investment Board

Robert Cormack, reappointment – term expires 7/1/10

Lewis Dopson, reappointment – term expires 7/1/10

Frances Stengel, reappointment – term expires 7/1/10

Tom Calkins, new appointment – term expires 7/1/10

Michael Mihalik, new appointment – term expires 7/1/10

Scott Fegley, new appointment – term expires 7/1/10

Ron Davis, new appointment – term expires 7/1/10

Paul Fleming, new appointment – term expires 7/1/10

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

MISCELLANEOUS

Upon motion of Miss Miller, seconded by Mr. Cawley, with the vote as follows, 3-0, a Resolution was adopted to approve the following:

Approve Ordinance 128 Amending the Provisions of Ordinance No. 127 to substitute the Bucks County Community College Authority for the Bucks County Community College with respect to the county's guaranty of a Promissory Note to be issued for the benefit of the Bucks County Community College in the amount of \$9,950,000.

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

Upon motion of Miss Miller, seconded by Mr. Martin, with the vote as follows, 2-0-1, a Resolution was adopted to approve the following:

Approve Ordinance 129 for financing by the Bucks County Community College Authority for the purpose of refunding 1997 Bonds and a 1999 Note of the Authority issued for Community College purposes.

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

David M. Sanko, Chief Operating Officer, reported on the following matter(s):

Cost Savings – Mr. Sanko spoke about minimizing costs to taxpayers by making the best utilization of resources. He informed us that the Armory Building was transferred to the Borough with grant funding and that there was no impact to the Borough or County residents to acquire that property. The county also saved a quarter million dollars with what would have been new construction cost for the modular unit that is being moved from Ivyland to the Corrections site.

Covered Bridge Vandalism – Vandals attempted to the burn a covered bridge located in Springfield Township last night. The attempt failed when the fire was quickly put out, but the bridge will be closed for a couple of days while repairs are made

Emergency Management – John Dougherty and the Bucks County Emergency Operations were recently rated by

the State and Mr. Sanko informed us that John Dougherty received the highest possible rating for training preparedness, response and recovery operations. He congratulated Mr. Dougherty and his entire team.

Public Safety Meeting – At last weeks Public Safety Meeting, David Sanko, was presented with an award from St. Luke’s Emergency Transport Services in appreciation for the County’s dedication and service to the community for EMS week. Mr. Sanko shared the award with the Commissioners.

Flood Taskforce – The first official meeting of the Flood Taskforce will be held next Tuesday at 4:00 p.m. in the Board Conference Room of the Delaware River Joint Tollbridge Commission in New Hope.

Commissioner Martin asked David Sanko to contact John Burke and suggest Mr. Burke act as Chairman during the first meeting of the Taskforce in order to get them underway. He said that going forward, the Taskforce can decide on who they would like to have as Chair.

Memorial Fountain – This Friday, May 25, at 11:00 a.m., the Commissioners will officially turn on the WWI Memorial Fountain located at Broad and Main Streets in Doylestown.

Election – The official count began last Friday and they have completed checking results sheets as well as counting provisional and absentee ballots. The write-in votes are being tabulated and we expect the official count to be certified some time next week. The only change that has occurred to date in terms of results is the Act I Referendum in Bristol Borough School Board which was due to the miscount of an absentee ballot. The Act I Referendum was initially thought to have passed by one vote, but when the votes were counted in the official count, that Referendum lost in Bristol Borough. Almost all of PA rejected that Referendum.

Commissioner Cawley revisited the covered bridge incident and asked if the vandals have been identified. David Sanko responded that an investigation is being conducted by the Springfield Township Police in conjunction with the county fire marshal.

Commissioner Martin announced that a contribution was made from the one of the local bike clubs to provide funds for the maintenance of the covered bridges.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT – GENERAL

Sandy Schiff, a Doylestown resident, spoke about the data she requested which concluded that the Danaher machines would save the County \$600,000 over 10 years.

David Sanko stated that we will try to compile what information is available and get back to her as soon as the official count is completed.

Madeline Rawley, a Doylestown resident, spoke about the recent election and wanted to know the number of incidents and calls that were made regarding problems with voting machines.

The Commissioners said that the election process went well, no voters were turned away and all of the votes were registered. David Sanko said that there were some calls throughout the day where technicians were able to assist election officials with questions. He added that only one voting machine was replaced, which is less than the usual number of mechanical machines.

Penny Larrisey, a Doylestown resident and election official, spoke about the new voting machines and the process involving the count. She said that her precinct only lost one vote because a voter did not push the green button, but the overwhelming response from the public, including the handicapped, was that they loved the new machines.

Debbie Schiesser, a Doylestown resident, said that her precinct had no problems with the machines and thanked the Commissioners for the selection they made.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next public meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 6, 2007, at Pen Ryn Mansion, 1601 State Road, Bensalem, PA.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Mr. Cawley, seconded by Miss Miller, with the vote being 3-0, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved: June 6, 2007

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
BY:

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Charles H. Martin  
Chairman

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James F. Cawley, Esq.  
Commissioner

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Sandra A. Miller  
Commissioner

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David M. Sanko, County Chief Clerk