

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

November 21, 2007

The Regular Meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, November 21, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. at the Bucks County Courthouse, Community Room, Doylestown PA. In attendance were Commissioner Charles H. Martin, Chairman, Commissioner James F. Cawley and Commissioner Sandra A. Miller. Commissioner Martin opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS

The Commissioners proclaimed Marsha Kroll as the “2007 BUCKS COUNTY POET LAUREATE” commending her outstanding contribution to the literary tradition of the community. She thanked the Commissioners for giving her the honor of this longstanding tradition and read her award winning poem “Big Sky Country”. Dr. Alan Hoey added his appreciation to the Commissioners for their continued support of the program.

COMMENDATION

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Upon motion of Mr. Cawley, seconded by Miss Miller, with the vote being 3-0, the Minutes of November 8, 2007 were approved.

DISCUSSION/AGENDA RELATED ITEMS

Vitor Vicente, Community and Business, spoke on item 3a.

Bill Mitchell, Parks and Recreation, spoke on item 9a.

Lynn Bush, Planning Commission, spoke on item 10a.

Stacey Hadjak, Public Information Director, spoke on item 11a and provided a presentation regarding features of Comcast Channel 96 Government Access Programming.

Brian Hessenthaler, Finance Director, spoke on Budget Adjustments 11-023 and 11-024.

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.	AREA AGENCY ON AGING	a. JEVS Supports for Independence Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract amendment to increase personal assistance hourly rate as mandated by PA Dept. of Public Welfare. 5/1/05 – ongoing	\$75,000.**
		b. JEVS Supports for Independence Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract amendment to increase attendant care hourly rate as mandated by the PA Dept of Public Welfare. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$450,000.**

2.	CHILDREN & YOUTH	a.	Adelphoi Village Latrobe, PA	Approve contract to provide group home, foster care and counseling services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$475,000.**
		b.	Aldersgate Youth Service Bureau Willow Grove, PA	Approve contract to provide foster care services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$37,000.**
		c.	Community Service Foundation Pipersville, PA	Approve contract to provide foster care and day treatment services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$3,629,000.**
		d.	Delaware Valley Forensic Psychological Services Doylestown, PA	Approve contract to provide residential community re-entry program services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$441,000.**
		e.	Edison Court, Inc. Doylestown, PA	Approve contract to provide therapy, residential care and case management services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$976,000.**
		f.	Middle Earth Academy, Inc. Warminster, PA	Approve contract to provide day treatment alternative education. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$70,500.**
		g.	New Life Youth and Family Services Schwenksville, PA	Approve contract to provide residential supervised independent living services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$110,000.**
		h.	The Salvation Army Children’s Services Allentown, PA	Approve contract to provide foster care and emergency shelter services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$19,000.**
		i.	Youth Services Agency of Bucks County Jim Thorpe, PA	Approve contract to provide case management, counseling and residential treatment services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$3,887,000.**
3.	COMMUNITY and BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT	a.	Fair Housing Council of Suburban Philadelphia Swarthmore, PA	Approve contract to provide funding to implement program and fulfill HUD requirements. 10/1/07 – 12/31/08	\$30,000.
4.	CORRECTIONS	a.	Network of Victim Assistance (NOVA) Doylestown, PA	Approve contract for Victim Impact Education Program. 1/1/08 – 12/31/08	\$10,506.**
5.	HEALTH	a.	CFG Health Systems, LLC Marlton, NJ	Approve contract increase and extension to provide psychiatric counseling services. 10/1/07 – 9/30/08	\$580,197.**
6.	HUMAN SERVICES	a.	Beelong Adult Services Huntingdon Valley, PA	Approve contract amendment to provide therapeutic programs. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$30,000.**
		b.	Millenium Home Health Care, Inc. Broomall, PA	Approve contract amendment to provide personal care and home services to clients. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$40,800.**
7.	MH/MR	a.	Divine Providence Village Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide family living services.	\$49,876.**

			7/1/07 – 6/30/08		
		b.	Growth Horizons, Inc. Glenside, PA	Approve contract to provide supervised and supported living residential services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$6,671,387.**
8.	NESHAMINY MANOR	a.	Contract Pharmacy Services Warrington, PA	Approve contract increase and extension to provide pharmaceutical services. 12/1/06 – 11/30/08	\$650,000.**
		b.	Delcrest Medical Services Ivyland, PA	Approve contract extension for rental of low to the floor electric beds. 11/1/07 – 1/31/08	\$2,000.**
		c.	Paul R. Moyer, M.D. Doylestown, PA	Approve amendment to rate schedule for medical director. 1/1/08 – 12/31/08	\$160.00/per hour
		d.	Neshaminy Manor (Daily Room Rate) Warrington, PA	Approve increase in daily room rate for private and semi-private rooms. Effective 12/28/07	\$270 per room / per day (private) \$260 per room / per day (semi- private) Revenue
		e.	Recover Care Plymouth Meeting, PA	Approve contract extension for rental of low to the floor electric beds. 11/1/07 – 1/31/08	\$3,000.**
9.	PARKS AND RECREATION	a.	B L Myers Brothers of PA, Inc. Glenmore, PA	Approve contract for installation of geothermal wells required for HVAC system at Churchville Nature Center Green Building Expansion Project.	\$151,900.
10.	PLANNING COMMISSION	a.		Approve adoption of the Neshaminy/Little Neshaminy Creek Watershed Stormwater Management Plan.	
11.	PUBLIC INFORMATION	a.	Comcast of Southeast Pennsylvania, LLC Ivyland, PA	Approve Letter of Understanding for proposed government access programming.	
12.	PUBLIC WORKS	a.	Crest Environmental Services Corp. Reading, PA	Approve contract for asbestos removal on Hazard Mitigation Properties. (Group 9 – Contract A)	\$12,900.*
		b.	Dual Temp Co., Inc. Allentown, PA	Approve HVAC equipment maintenance program for county facilities. 1/1/08 – 12/31/10	\$415,290.
		c.	Fisher Mechanical Horsham, PA	Approve emergency plumbing contract for new District Justice Court in Bensalem Township. 11/21/07 – 12/31/07	\$13,400.

	d.	Magnum, Inc. Warminster, PA	Approve emergency general construction contract for new District Justice Court in Bensalem Township. 11/21/07 – 12/31/07	\$128,200.
	e.	Myco Mechanical, Inc. Souderton, PA	Approve emergency HVAC contract for new District Justice Court in Bensalem Township. 11/21/07 – 12/31/07	\$26,900.
	f.	Reel Electric, Inc. Warminster, PA	Approve emergency electrical contract for new District Justice Court in Bensalem Township. 11/21/07 – 12/31/07	\$44,600.
	g.	Premium Excavating Inc. Morrisville, PA	Approve contract for demolition of Hazard Mitigation Properties. (Group 9 – Contract B)	\$34,500.*
	h.	Remington Vernick & Beach Conshohocken, PA	Approve increase to site engineering contract for new Morgue/Crime Lab due to site conditions.	\$30,367.50
	i.	S & H Landscaping Chalfont, PA	Approve contract increase for addition of overflow drainage swale and tree replacements.	\$2,352.68
13.	PURCHASING	a. FlagZone LLC Gilbertsville, PA Metro Flag Co. Dover, NJ	Approve County's portion of bid for U.S. Flags on behalf of Southeastern PA Counties Cooperative Board. 1/1/08 – 12/31/09	\$34,516.80
14.	YOUTH CENTER	a. Honeywell Building Solutions Fort Washington, PA	Approve contract increase to expand the existing Enterprise Building Integrator and digital video manger to the Youth Center.	\$94,372.
15.	OTHER CIVICS	a. Doylestown FISH James Michener Art Museum Newtown First Night	Approve Payment	\$1,500. \$25,000. \$1,000.

*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

NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
1. Charles G. Benhayon	Chief of Rangers Unit 00	Parks & Recreation 40.0 hrs/wk	12/10/07 To 06/10/07	60,517.00 PA 29.09 PH To 62,332.51 PH 29.96 PH
2. William R. Benton	Engineer I/NMH Unit 02	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	12/10/07	44,969.00 PA 21.62 PH
3. Maryann L. Finkel	Registered Nurse Unit 06	NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk	11/13/07	54,375.50 PA 26.14 PH

4.	Catherine Tomlin	Nursing Assistant Unit 30	NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk	11/14/07	14.58 PH
5.	Yevgeniya Turbovsky	LPN Unit 33	NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk	11/13/07	42,275.42 PA 20.32 PH

PROMOTION/DEMOTION

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
6.	Edward Flosdorf	Grounds Leader Unit 02 To Maintenance Supervisor Unit 44	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk To Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	11/26/07	49,400.00 PA 23.75 PH To 52,089.51 PA 25.04 PH
7.	Jeffery Matthews	Grounds Level II Unit 02 To Trades Level II Unit 02	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk To Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	11/26/07	40,206.40 PA 19.33 PH To 43,513.60 PA 20.92 PH

TRANSFER

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
8.	Kenneth W. Durning	Shift Commander Lieutenant Unit 80 To Lieutenant Unit 80	Community Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk To Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	12/08/07	68,429.44 PA 32.89 PH To 68,429.44 PA 32.89 PH
9.	Richard R. Furst	Engineer II (Manor) Unit 02 To Engineer II (Courthouse) Unit 02	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk To Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	11/26/07	42,660.80 PA 20.51 PH To 42,660.80 PA 20.51 PH
10.	Karl Kipp	Trades Level I (Carpenter) Unit 02 To Trades Level I Unit 02	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk To Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	11/26/07	49,088.00 PA 23.60 PH To 49,088.00 PA 23.60 PH
11.	Karen M. Nagy	Executive Secretary to COO Unit 00 To Human Resources Admin. Unit 00	Commissioners 40.0 hrs/wk To Human Resources 40.0 hrs/wk	11/24/07	46,349.97 PA 22.28 PH To 46,349.97 PA 22.28 PH
12.	Patricia A. Zeller	Nursing Assistant Unit 03 To Staffing Coordinator Unit 03	NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk To NM Administration 40.0 hrs/wk	11/24/07	31,862.68 PA 15.31 PH To 34,438.91 PA 16.55 PH

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	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
13.	Janet M. Bruch	Seasonal Custodian /NM Unit 00 To Laundry Aide Unit 02	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk To Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	11/26/07	11.21 PH To 34,840.00 PA 16.75 PH

14.	Carol Levash	PHN I (Pool) Unit 60 To PHN II Unit 06	Health 20.0 hrs/wk To Health 40.0 hrs/wk	11/24/07	32.13 PH To 54,420.67 PA 26.16 PH
15.	Elizabeth L. Rowe	Accounting Assistant Unit 03 To Staffing Coordinator Unit 03	Corrections 35.0 hrs/wk To Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	11/24/07	15.00 PH To 33,435.84 PA 16.07 PH

SEPARATIONS

	NAME	TITLE	UN	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
16.	Nancy K. Brown	LPN	33	NM Nursing	11/02/07	Deceased
17.	Robin A. Evans	Nursing Assistant	03	NM Nursing	10/29/07	Separation
18.	Francis McIntyre III	Corrections Officer	01	Corrections	11/27/07	Separation
19.	Stephen J. Sliwka	Dispatcher	03	Emergency Communications	11/13/07	Separation
20.	Elaine Soltys	Registered Nurse	06	NM Nursing	12/04/07	Separation
21.	Shamyra S. Spady	Nursing Assistant	03	NM Nursing	11/2/07	Separation
22.	John R. Wachowicz, Jr.	Dispatcher	03	Emergency Communications	11/15/07	Separation

+eligible for 50 cents/hour bonus if completes season

*estimated date

** Never Started

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:

Adjustment # 11-023 Health Department

To cover costs of the PODS and the pandemic simulation as well as corrections department hospitalization costs.

Adjustment # 11-024 Emergency Communications

To cover Computer Aided Dispatch migration to new hardware platform and interface with 9-1-1 switch.

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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.

Area Agency on Aging

Terry Savage, new appointment, term expires 1/1/09

Community College Trustees

Peter Dominick, new appointment, term expires 6/30/08

Conference & Visitors Bureau

Kathryn (Kate) Conaway – reappointment, terms expires 12/31/11

Albert Giagnacova – reappointment, terms expires 12/31/11

Conservation District

Malcolm Crooks, reappointment, term expires 12/31/11

Jeffrey Vey, reappointment, term expires 12/31/11

James F. Cawley, Esq., new appointment, term expires 1/1/09

Drug & Alcohol Commission

Detective Daniel Baranowski – new appointment, term expires 11/21/10
Milton Berkes – new appointment, term expires 11/21/10
James T. Wells – new appointment, term expires 11/21/10

Enterprise Zone Organization

Edmund Armstrong – reappointment, term expires 12/31/10
Harry Barford – reappointment, term expires 12/31/10
Robyn Trunell – reappointment, term expires 12/31/10

Horsham Land Reuse Authority

Donna Marie Davis – reappointment, term expires 12/31/12

Human Relations Council

Emil Sadloch – reappointment, term expires 12/18/10

Library Board

Joan Bowman – reappointment, term expires 10/16/10

Opportunity Council

Michael G. Erwin, Ph.D. – reappointment, term expires 12/31/10

Saint Mary Hospital Authority

Joseph A. Fluehr, III – reappointment, term expires 12/31/12

Senior Task Force

Joseph Volk – new appointment, term expires 5/6/10

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MISCELLANEOUS

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

Election – Mr. Sanko informed us that the Election results have been certified and the voter turnout was an all-time high for a County Commissioner election.

CCAP – Commissioner Cawley has just returned from the CCAP Fall Conference which provided a checklist of things that need to be done in order to prepare for a new term. Mr. Sanko added that these training sessions not only present new best practices for the County but also offers a clearer indication of how much of a leader Bucks County is in so many fields.

Swearing In of Elected Officials – We have begun the process of gathering information in order to prepare for the January 7, 2008 swearing in. This process includes obtaining information for Commissioner Elect, Diane Marseglia whom Mr. Sanko has been in contact.

Flood Taskforce Meeting – At the Commissioners request, Governor Rendell has agreed to meet with our Flood Taskforce on Saturday, December 1st at the Governor's office in Philadelphia.

Budget – The release of the preliminary budget will be this afternoon at 3:00 and Mr. Sanko introduced Finance Director, Brian Hessenthaler who spoke regarding the budget. He informed everyone that there are still some outstanding issues involving a few departments but these items will be resolved in ongoing discussions. He said as it stands now, the final numbers for the preliminary budget should result in no increase to taxpayers for 2008.

The Commissioners expressed their appreciation to Mr. Hessenthaler, his staff and everyone who cooperated in this effort. They said they look forward to meeting over the next couple of weeks in order to finalize the budget without an tax increase.

PUBLIC COMMENT – GENERAL

Ed Lafferty, a Falls Township resident, inquired about the Area Agency on Aging appointment.

The Commissioners responded that the appointment of Terry Savage was to the Advisory Board and announced that there is still a seat open if someone is interested in filling that vacancy.

Sandy Schiff, a Doylestown resident, inquired about a list of service calls for machines on Election Day and requested that she be informed when the machines are audited.

David Sanko responded that the Board of Elections staff has been focused on the official count and the audit process and will get the data she requested by next week. He added that he understands Madeline Rawley, representing the Coalition, was present at the audit and recommended Ms. Schiff contact the Board of Elections.

Bruce Jones, IUOE Local 542, wanted to thank Commissioner Sandra Miller for her time, service and dedication. He said she has been friend and a great Commissioner for a long time and he wished everyone a Happy Thanksgiving.

The Commissioners concurred with his statement of Commissioner Miller.

Bernie Salera, Area Agency on Aging and PSSU Shop Steward, commented that the public meetings are interesting and informative but getting to them during the workday is a problem. He said that in order to attend the meeting, he has to use his vacation time and added that he feels more employees would attend if they were allotted time from their workday without having to use their personal time.

The Commissioners explained that the meetings occur throughout the County and include some night meetings which would allow daytime employees to attend. They referred Mr. Salera to Public Information Director, Stacey Hajdak and suggested he meet with her regarding enhancing the lines of communication and utilizing employee talents.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next public meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, December 5, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. at the Bucks County Courthouse, Community Room, Doylestown PA.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Approved:

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS
BY:

Charles H. Martin
Chairman

James F. Cawley, Esq.
Commissioner

Sandra A. Miller
Commissioner

David M. Sanko, County Chief Clerk