

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

December 19, 2007

The Regular Meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, December 19, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. at the Bucks County Courthouse, Community Room, Doylestown PA. In attendance were Commissioner Sandra A. Miller, Chairman, Charles H. Martin and Commissioner James F. Cawley. Commissioner Miller opened the meeting with a moment of silence followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS

The Commissioners proclaimed December 19, 2007 as “WORTH & COMPANY, INC. DAY” throughout the County of Bucks applauding Worth & Company for continuing to create a positive work environment while providing exceptional service to the community. Stephen Worth, President/C.E.O. and John Marrinucci, C.O.O. of Worth & Company accepted. Mr. Worth thanked the Commissioners and spoke about the start of the business and the company’s success. Mr. Marrinucci spoke about investing in employees and the importance of teamwork.

COMMENDATION

None.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Commissioner Miller announced that the meeting will be recorded to allow audio playback on the County’s website and informed anyone wishing to a make a public comment that they will be recorded. She also reminded everyone where the exits are located since the room was at full capacity.

OLD BUSINESS

Upon motion of Mr. Cawley, seconded by Mr. Martin, with the vote being 3-0, the Minutes of December 5, 2007 were approved.

DISCUSSION/AGENDA RELATED ITEMS

- J.T. Wells, Children & Youth, spoke on item 2a.
- Dick Manna, Project Manager, spoke on item 3a.
- John Dougherty, Emergency Management, spoke on item 7a.
- Bill Mitchell, Parks and Recreation, spoke on item 13a.
- Guy Matthews, Solicitor, also spoke on item 13a.
- Bob Heddon, Chairman, Lower Bucks Emergency Training Facility, spoke on item 15c.
- Hon. Robert J. Mellon, spoke on item 5b.

NEW BUSINESS

Upon motion of Mr. Cawley, seconded by Mr. Martin, with the vote being 3-0, the following Resolutions were approved with the exception of Item #13a, which was opposed by Commissioner Cawley and passed with the vote of 2-1-0 and Item #14a, which was abstained by Commissioner Cawley and passed with the vote of 2-0-1.

**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. Liberty Resources, Inc. 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	
2. CHILDREN & YOUTH	a. Catholic Charities, Diocese of Allentown, Inc. Allentown, PA	Approve contract to provide foster care services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$20,000.**
	b. Community Service	Approve contract amendment to	

		Foundation Pipersville, PA	provide transitional living program. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	
	c.	Elwyn, Inc. Elwyn, PA	Approve contract to provide specialized day treatment and educational programs. 7/1/07– 6/30/08	\$30,000.**
	d.	National Mentor Healthcare, LLC d/b/a PA Mentor Conshohocken, PA	Approve contract to provide Community Residential and Rehabilitation Treatment and Step-Down Services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$68,000.**
	e.	Neighborhood First Program, Inc. Bristol, PA	Approve contract to provide intensive mentoring and monitoring services. 1/1/08 – 6/30/08	\$100,000.
	f.	St. Francis – St. Joseph Homes For Boys Bensalem, PA	Approve contract to provide placement services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$35,000.**
	g.	Three Rivers Adoption Council Pittsburgh, PA	Approve contract to provide foster care and adoption services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$21,000.**
3.	COMMISSIONERS	a. Raise Right Inc. Chalfont, PA	Approve contract increase for additional items at four elevated homes in Bristol Township.	\$121,895.87
4.	COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT	a. Redevelopment Authority of Bucks County Bristol, PA	Approve Community Development Block Grant contract. 4/1/07 – 3/31/09	\$100,000.
5.	COURTS	a. Conflict Counsel 1. Sharif Abaza 2. Keith Bidlingmaier 3. Lawrence Brinkman 4. Harry J. Cooper 5. Ronald H. Elgart 6. Niels C. Eriksen 7. Fioravanti & Knight 8. Michael S. Goodwin 9. Ellis Klein 10. Robert A. Mancini 11. W. Craig Penglase 12. Keith J. Williams	Approve contract to provide representation to indigent clients in cases where there is a conflict of interest with the Public Defender’s Office conditioned upon adoption of 2008 Budget. 1/1/08 – 12/31/08  Conditioned upon adoption of 2008 Budget	\$30,030.** /each
		b. Nomad Technologies Eden Prairie, MN	Approve contract for purchase of mobile evidence presentation system. Conditioned upon adoption of 2008 Budget	\$30,950.
6.	DISTRICT ATTORNEY	a. Network of Victims Assistance Jamison, PA	Approve contract increase for additional expenses incurred for grant activities. 4/1/07 – 3/31/08	\$5,000.**
		b. PA Commission on Crime and Delinquency Harrisburg, PA	Approve application and acceptance of Older Adults Crimes Task Force grant. (PCCD Funds). 4/1/08 – 3/31/09	\$30,000. Revenue
7.	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	a. Adecco Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract increase for the hiring of new employees to handle services affiliated with	\$350,000.

			Homeland Security and UASI Grants. 5/5/05 – 6/30/09		
8.	FINANCE	a.	Approve Resolution Adopting signature authority for grant documents.		
		b.	Paist & Noe, Inc. Richboro, PA	Approve premium for Builders Risk insurance for County Fire Training Burn Building. 12/11/07 – 12/11/08	\$2,500.
9.	HEALTH	a.	Cleofe P. Evangelista, M.D. Yardley, PA	Approve contract increase to provide medical services to youth center, corrections facility and Department of Health clinics. 3/1/01 – until terminated	\$15,000.**
		b.	Thomas Jefferson University Hospital Philadelphia, PA	Approve payment of invoice for inpatient medical services. 7/23/07 – 7/27/07	\$14,715.09
10.	JUVENILE PROBATION	a.	Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (TRACK Grant) Harrisburg, PA	Approve authorization and acceptance of TRACK Grant renewal. 4/1/08 – 3/31/09	\$36,149. Revenue
11.	MH/MR	a.	Lynch Homes – Montgomery County, Inc. Willow Grove, PA	Approve contract to provide group home services. 7/1/07 – 6/30/08	\$325,905.**
12.	NESHAMINY MANOR	a.	Celleration Eden Prairie, MN	Approve contract to provide applicators for mist therapy system. 4/1/07 – 12/31/07	\$12,500.
		b.	Gulf South Medical Parkesburg, PA	Approve contract increase for medical and surgical supplies until new bid process is complete. 9/7/07 – 12/7/07	\$25,000.**
		c.	Joerns Healthcare, Inc. Stevens Point, WI	Approve contract for rental of low to the floor electric beds. 1/1/08 – 12/31/08	\$7,402.80
13.	PARKS AND RECREATION	a.	East Rockhill Township Perkasie, PA	Approve modification to Easement Agreement to transfer five-acres of Willard Markley Park property for construction of a regional police headquarters. (T.M.P. 12-9-166 & 12-9-67)	
14.	PLANNING COMMISISON	a.	Bucks County Redevelopment Authority Bristol, PA	Approve pass through funding for the purchase of a compressed natural gas bus.	\$80,000. (Revenue and Expenditure)
			Bucks Co. Transportation Management Association		
15.	PUBLIC WORKS	a.	Bucks County Bank Doylestown, PA	Approve Lease of Real Property located at 7203 New Falls Road, Levittown. 3/1/08 – 2/29/28	\$3,539,855. Revenue
		b.	Edison Court, Inc. Doylestown, PA	Approve extension of Lease Agreement for Edison Court, Inc. (Mathom House Property) 2/1/10 – 1/31/16	\$269,900. Revenue

	c.	Rohm and Haas Company Philadelphia, PA	Approve Agreement of Sale for 10.36 acres located on River Road in Bristol Township. In lieu of condemnation (Portion of TMP #05-056-001)	\$712,800. (+ insurance and settlement costs)	
16.	PURCHASING	a.	Prestige Packaging Inc. West Point, PA	Approve contract increase and extension for Bucks County's portion of paper products under the Southeastern PA Counties Cooperative Purchasing Board 1/1/06 – 12/31/08	\$94,564.05*
17.	SOLICITOR	a.	McNamara, Bolla, Williams & Panzer Doylestown, PA	Approve letter agreement for services up to 1/1/07 – Open	\$115./** Hour
18.	OTHER CIVICS	a.	Red Cross Homeless Shelter	Approve Payment	\$7,500.

\*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 Mr. Martin, with the vote being 3-0, the following Personnel Actions were approved.

**APPOINTMENTS**

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
1.	Lee F. Alburger	Accounting Assistant Unit 03	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	01/07/08	34,438.91 PA 16.55 PH
2.	Karen I. Barber	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 03	NM Nursing 24.0 hrs/wk	12/11/07	13.49 PH
3.	Elizabeth S. Bentahar	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 03	NM Nursing 24.0 hrs/wk	11/27/07	13.49 PH
4.	Ralph D. Camasso	Grounds Level II - NM Unit 02	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	01/07/08	40,206.40 PA 19.33 PH
5.	James D. Cannon	Trades Level II Electrician – NM Unit 02	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	01/07/08	41,433.60 PA 19.92 PH
6.	Ruthann Eynon	Security Screener Unit 00	Security 20.0 hrs/wk	12/15/07	12.73 PH
7.	Annie E. Gray-Royal	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 03	NM Nursing 24.0 hrs/wk	12/11/07	13.49 PH
8.	Rickie L. Haid	Food Service Attendant – Temp Unit 03	NM Dietary Services 40.0 hrs/wk	12/15/07	12.01 PH
9.	Virginia M. Miller	LPN Unit 33	NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk	11/27/07	26.26 PH
10.	Paula J. Mitchell	LPN Unit 33	NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk	12/10/07	44,480.11 PA 21.38 PH
11.	Christopher M. Olbrich	Trades Level II (Carpenter) Unit 02	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	01/07/08	42,473.60 PA 20.42 PH
12.	Carol A. Staudenmayer	LPN	NM Nursing	12/10/07	44,480.11 PA

		Unit 33	40.0 hrs/wk		21.38 PH
13.	Kelly A. Warnke	County Caseworker II Unit 04	Children & Youth 37.5 hrs/wk	12/24/07	37,132.22 PA 19.04 PH
14.	Kia D. Wilson	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 33	NM Nursing 24.0 hrs/wk	12/11/07	13.49 PA

**REHIRE**

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
15.	Patricia Tomchak Sep 10/10/07	Secretary Unit 00	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	12/08/07	18.52 PH
16.	Everette E. Robertson Sep 07/27/06	Security Guard Trainee Unit 00	Security 40.0 hrs/wk	12/22/07	33,635.23 PA 16.17 PH

**PROMOTION/DEMOTION**

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
17.	James E. Griffin	Corrections Officer Unit 01 To Sergeant Unit 81	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk To Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	12/22/07	43,054.29 PA 20.69 PH To 50,096.15 PA 24.08 PH
18.	Thomas M. Groark	Seasonal / Custodian NM Unit 00 To Custodian NM Unit 02	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk To Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	12/22/07	11.21 PH To 34,840.00 16.75 PH
19.	Ramon A. Melendez	Custodian – NMH Unit 02 To Custodian Unit 02	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk To Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	12/22/07	36,920.00 PA 17.75 PH To 36,920.00 PA 17.75 PH
20.	Ruthann T. Neamand	Registrar Unit 03 To Assistant Senior Civil Clerk Unit 05	Voter Registration 35.0 hrs/wk To Prothonotary 40.0 hrs/wk	01/05/08	30,134.04 PA 16.55 PH To 34,438.89 PA 16.55 PH
21.	Theresa T. Savage	Director Unit 00 To Business Manager Unit 00	Tax Claim 40.0 hrs/wk To NM Business Office 40.0 hrs/wk	01/05/08  07/05/08	56,227.66 PA 27.03 PH To 59,170.00 PA 28.44 PH 61,000.00 PA 29.32 PH

**TRANSFER**

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
22.	Steven D. Pagano	Corrections Officer Unit 01 To Corrections Officer Unit 01	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk To Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	12/22/07	33,744.63 PA 16.22 PH To 33,744.63 PA 16.22 PH
23.	Michelle C. Nord	County Caseworker II Unit 04 To County Social Worker 1 Unit 04	Children and Youth 37.5 hrs/wk To Children and Youth 37.5 hrs/wk	12/08/07	40,470.58 PA 20.75 PH To 40,470.58 PA 20.75 PH
24.	Catherine A Sembrot	Commissioners Secretary Unit 00	Commissioners 40.0 hrs/wk	01/05/08	49,180.74 PA 23.64 PH

To Recording Clerk Unit 03	To Recorder of Deeds 40.0 hrs/wk	To 33,435.84 PA 16.07 PH
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**SALARY ADJUSTMENT**

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>DATE*</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
25.	Bradley R. Fravel	Housekeeping Manager Unit 00 To Housekeeping Manager Unit 00	Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk To Public Works 40.0 hrs/wk	12/22/07	44,557.76 PA 21.42 PH To 47,057.76 PA 22.62 PH
26.	Juliet Kelchner	Web Content Admin Unit 00 To Web Content Admin Unit 00	Public Information 40.0 hrs/wk To Public Information 40.0 hrs	12/22/07	38,200.78 PA 18.36 PH To 39,200.78 PA 18.84 PH
27.	Ann E. Machesic	Public Information Coordinator Unit 00 To Public Information Coordinator Unit 00	Public Information 40.0 hrs/wk To Public Information 40.0 hrs	12/22/07	40,636.37 PA 19.53 PH To 41,636.37 PA 20.01 PH
28.	Sara A. Silfies	County Social Worker Manager II Unit 00 To County Social Worker Manager II Unit 00	Children & Youth 37.5 hrs/wk To Children & Youth 37.5 hrs/wk	12/02/07	60,889.29 PA 31.22 PH To 62,715.97 PA 32.16 PH
29.	Martin E. Smith	Security Guard Trainee Unit 00 To Security Guard Unit 00	Security 40.0 hrs/wk To Security 40.0 hrs/wk	11/11/07	33,665.54 PA 16.18 PH To 34,675.53 PA 16.67 PH

**PER DIEM TO PERM**

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>DATE*</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
30.	Felicia N. Hinton	Nursing Assistant Unit 03 To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk To NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk	12/22/07	13.49 PH To 30,934.65 14.87 PH
31.	Molly M. Arnold	Food Service Attendant Unit 03 To Food Service Attendant Unit 03	NM Dietary Services 40.0 hrs/wk To NM Dietary Services 40.0 hrs/wk	12/08/07	12.01 PH To 27,547.76 PA 13.24 PH
32.	Heather Guinan	Registrar Unit 03 To Registrar Unit 03	Board of Elections 35.0 hrs/wk To Board of Elections 35.0 hrs/wk	12/10/07	11.48 PH To 29,256.36 PA 16.07 PH
33.	Kenneth J. Thorpe	Food Service Attendant Unit 03 To Food Service Attendant Unit 03	NM Dietary 40.0 hrs/wk To NM Dietary 40.0 hrs/wk	12/22/07	12.01 PH To 27,547.76 PA 13.24 PH

**TEMP ASSIGMENT**

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>DATE*</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
34.	Marguerite Genesio	Assistant Director Unit 00	Tax Claim 40.0 hrs/wk	01/07/08	48,221.97PA 23.18 PH
		To Acting Director Unit 00	To Tax Claim 40.0 hrs/wk		To 52,224.81 PA 25.10 PH

**CORRECTIONAL HIRE**

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>DATE*</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
35.	Brian Ricci	Security Guard Trainee Unit 00	Security 40.0 hrs/wk	12/08/07	34,675.53 PA 16.67 PH
		To Security Guard Trainee Unit 00	To Security 40.0 hrs/wk		To 33,635.26 PA 16.17 PH

**SEPARATIONS**

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>UN</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>DATE*</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
36.	John W. Bailie	Corrections Officer	01	Corrections	12/29/07	Separation
37.	Linda T. Delp	Ranger Clerk	00	Parks & Recreation	12/05/07	Separation
38.	Alycia C. Dennison	LPN	31	NM Nursing	12/03/07	Separation
39.	Travis B. Holt	Corrections Officer	01	Corrections	11/17/07	Separation
40.	Scott E. Hopkins	Food Service Attendant	03	NM Dietary Services	12/22/07	Separation
41.	Valerie Kuehmstedt	RN Supervisor	86	NM Admin	01/08/08	Separation
42.	Heather L. Kwait	Nursing Assistant – PT	03	NM Nursing	11/23/07	Separation
43.	Tara J. McSain	Registered Nurse	06	NM Nursing	12/06/07	Separation
44.	Floyd Monford Jr	Nursing Assistant	30	NM Nursing	11/27/07	Separation
45.	Michael Roberts	Registrar	03	Board of Elections	12/07/07	Separation
46.	Roger Sarli	Nursing Assistant	30	NM Nursing	11/27/07	Separation
47.	Doreen Stratton	HR Generalist IV	00	Human Resources	12/21/07	Separation
48.	James Whitaker Jr	Security Guard	00	Security	01/08/07	Separation
49.	Terry L. Young	Nursing Assistant	03	NM Nursing	12/07/07	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 Mr. Martin, with the vote as follows, 3-0, a Resolution was adopted to approve the following Budget Adjustment:

Adjustment #12-030-0 Constables

Anticipated costs through December 2007.

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

**BOARD APPOINTMENTS**

None.

**MISCELLANEOUS**

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

A. 2008 Budget, Tax Levy and Appropriations

1. Adopt the **2008** County Budget as recommended by the Finance Director.

2. Adopt the **2008** Tax Levies, Millage Rate and user fee schedules (Consumer Protection and Health) as recommended by the Finance Director.
3. Upon recommendation of the Finance Director to approve the appropriations to the agencies and authorities for calendar year **2008**.

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):

2008 Budget – The public budget hearing was conducted on December 10, 2007 and Mr. Sanko thanked department heads and members of the Finance Department who participated in the final budget process which led to a second year in a row of no tax increase.

CERA Holiday Program – The Office of Public Information is finalizing plans for the Christmas Holiday Program with CERA. It will be held next Monday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at the Courthouse.

Elected Officials Swearing In – The Swearing-In ceremonies are being finalized for the statutory required date of January 7, 2008 starting with the Judges at 9:00 a.m. and the Commissioners and Row Officers at 10:00 a.m.

Commissioner Cawley explained that John Dougherty, director of Emergency Management, came across a plaque at the emergency operations center in Ivyland which was presented by the Commissioners to Emergency Services in 1956 for volunteer work that had taken place as a result of the August 1955 flood. The original plaque will be remounted at the new emergency operations center, but the Commissioners along with John Dougherty, had a duplicate plaque made and presented it to Commissioner Miller. They felt this was a special keepsake as Commissioner Miller was not only an integral part of recent flood operations but because Adolph A. Andrews, one of the 1956 Commissioners who presented the plaque, is Commissioner Miller's uncle.

Commissioner Miller expressed her appreciation and spoke about her uncle's tenure in the 50's. She commented that having his name on this plaque makes it all the more special.

#### PUBLIC COMMENT – GENERAL

Kristi Dennis, Director, American Red Cross Homeless Shelter, thanked the Commissioners for their contribution and expressed her appreciation for their support.

Commissioner Cawley thanked Christie for all of her work at the shelter. He said he understands that she has a very difficult job and does not always get the recognition she deserves. He further stated that as someone he has had the opportunity to work with over the years, she has been a true, consummate professional and a joy to work with.

Kathleen Marsh, C.E.O. of the Lower Bucks American Red Cross Chapter thanked the Commissioners for their support over the years and said they look forward to continuing community services.

Russell Toronto, a Bucks County Children & Youth employee, said he was here today representing concerned citizens and fellow workers of Bucks County Children & Youth. He, along with co-workers, presented the Commissioners with a petition containing over 100 signatures asking them to withdraw the policy to disarm security guards and request an increase in security at their facility. He spoke about threats and dangerous situations he and co-workers have encountered and read a disturbing letter sent to the Children & Youth office by an irate parent threatening workers. He explained that the Children & Youth office is a public agency whose doors are not locked and he again requested that the policy to disarm security guards not be put into effect for the safety of the workforce and the families they serve.

Madeline Rawley, a Doylestown resident, spoke regarding the audit that was done after the Election. She said she sent a letter requesting information and has not received a response.

Solicitor Guy Matthews said that her response will be forthcoming.

Sandy Schiff, a Doylestown resident, had a question regarding the budget and expenditures for voting machines. She requested a breakdown for ongoing costs and how the money allotted for voting machines will be used.

David Sanko explained what was included in some of the budget items, such as the splitting and creation of new districts, additional staff and overtime to address the volume of voter registration and absentee ballots, as well as additional machines to accommodate polling places with longer lines. He explained that these increases are standard as it is projected that a presidential election will result in a larger turnout.

Martha Jameson, a Danboro resident, expressed wishes for a bright future to Commissioner Miller and congratulated Commissioners Cawley and Martin for appointing Commissioner Miller as Chair. She wished them all a happy holiday season and added that as a member of the Children & Youth Advisory Board, she supports the Children & Youth employees and backs them in their request.

Commissioner Miller requested that Mr. Sanko meet with the person in charge of the decision making process to review the situation. She suggested that perhaps today's Children & Youth spokesperson meet with them as well and be a part of the discussion as it warrants a second look. The Commissioners also requested they be provided a copy of the agreement and stated that while they appreciate the employees being here today, they suggested that in the future a couple of representatives attend so employees do not use up their vacation and/or personal time. They also added that employees can always reach out to the Commissioners via email.

Karen Murray, a Children & Youth employee, stated that everyone present is using vacation time and said it is well worth it as they feel their presence here today is important.

Jack Jameson, a Bucks County resident, said he is glad to see Commissioner Miller serving as Chair and spoke about the Crossing the Delaware reenactment. He also spoke about his tenure on the Children & Youth Advisory Board and said that he supports the request of the Children & Youth employees.

Elsa Ward Peterson, a Children & Youth employee and Doylestown resident, echoed her support for the Children & Youth workers. She spoke about the dangers they are confronted with and the need to have protection for the employees as well as the children they serve.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next public meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, January 2, 2008 at 10:00 a.m. at the Bucks County Courthouse, Community Room, Doylestown PA.

The Commissioners wished everyone a Happy Holiday season.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Approved:

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS  
BY:

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Sandra A. Miller  
Chairman

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Charles H. Martin  
Commissioner

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James F. Cawley, Esq.  
Commissioner

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David M. Sanko, County Chief Clerk