

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

August 12, 2009

The Regular Meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners was held on Wednesday, August 12, 2009 at the Middletown Grange Fair, 576 Penns Park Road, Wrightstown, PA. In attendance were Commissioner Charles H. Martin, Chairman, Commissioner James F. Cawley and Commissioner Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia. Commissioner Martin opened the meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT

Commissioner Martin announced that the meeting will be recorded to allow audio playback on the County's website.

INTRODUCTIONS

Commissioner Martin welcomed everyone to the Grange Fair and stated that it is a pleasure to be back as we have been coming to the Fair for a number of years.

Mr. Martin introduced Bill King, president of the Grange Fair, who thanked the Commissioners and welcomed everyone to the 61st annual Middletown Grange Fair. Mr. King thanked his mentor Scott Dengler and spoke of his 32 years of involvement with the Grange Fair.

Mr. Martin recognized county officials who were present: Ed Gudknecht, Recorder of Deeds, Ray McHugh, Controller, Mary Smithson, Clerk of Courts, Edward "Duke" Donnelly, Sheriff, Patricia Bachtle, Prothonotary, and Barbara Reilly, Register of Wills.

Mr. Martin also acknowledged the presence of State Representative Bernie O'Neill and his office manager, Cindy Beck.

PROCLAMATIONS

The Commissioners proclaimed August 12, 2009 as "4H Youth Leadership Day" throughout the County of Bucks and congratulated young 4H members and State Leadership Champions Emma Machesic, Sarah Gregory, Allie Bromley, Erica Glancey, and Alex Stepnoski for honing their talent and expertise to such a high level of excellence, and for providing a positive role model for other youth to emulate in our communities. The Commissioners also saluted the 6,000 Bucks County 4H members who help to make the Middletown Grange Fair the true "county fair." Bob Brown, 4H coordinator for the Cooperative Extension, spoke about his experience working with these youth and suggested that they truly are the leaders of tomorrow and thanked them on behalf of the entire county. Mr. Brown then thanked the Commissioners for their support of the 4H program and the youth of Bucks County. Commissioner Martin commented that some of the parents of these young 4H members are present at today's meeting and acknowledged them as well.

PRESENTATIONS

Bill King, president of the Grange Fair, introduced the 2008 Grange Fair Queen Gabrielle Ochoco. Ms. Ochoco thanked everyone including those who run the Grange Fair, the Commissioners, and her family, and spoke about her experience as the Fair Queen over the past year. Bill King then introduced the 2009 Queen, Caitlyn Beck. Ms. Beck thanked everyone for their support of the Grange Fair.

Mr. King then presented Grange Fair special recognition awards to Alice and Harold Betts, Marion Lownes, Bill Gardner, Bob Habel, Al Miller and Scott Dengler for their many hours of dedication and commitment to the Middletown Grange Fair.

COMMENDATIONS

The Commissioners presented a Letter of Commendation to Mr. Nevin Moyer of Perkasio and his family in honor of his selection as the recipient of the "Bucks County Conservation District (BCCD) Farmer of the Year" award and saluted Mr. Moyer for his environmentally sound policies and practices. Mr. Moyer thanked the Commissioners and stated that as a 7th generation farmer, he hopes that land preservation efforts continue. Gretchen Schatschneider, District Manager of the Bucks County Conservation District thanked Mr. Moyer for his efforts and all the farmers for their participation in the Grange Fair.

Art Feltes, Recycling Coordinator for Bucks County, on behalf of the Professional Recyclers of Pennsylvania, the Keystone Chapter of the Solid Waste Association of North America, and the Pennsylvania Waste Industries Association, presented the Commissioners and their Committee, BEGIN (Bucks Employees Green Initiative) with the 2009 Pennsylvania Waste Watchers Award. Art thanked the Commissioners and the Committee members for their outstanding work with waste reduction and recycling efforts. He also described the Grange Fair's first recycling program this year, which was coordinated by the county.

Dennis Livrone and Mike Bannon, BEGIN committee co-chairs, recognized and thanked the department heads, sub-committee chairs, and all committee members, many of whom were present, for their efforts. Commissioner Cawley thanked his Executive Secretary, Linda Prosek, for her inspiration and recycling efforts which lead to the creation of the BEGIN committee.

Mike Fournier, Director of the Penn State Cooperative Extension, presented the Commissioners with the Annual Farm Baskets and thanked them for their support of agriculture in the county. He spoke on the success of Pennsylvania farms and how they are nationally recognized in the area of farmers selling directly to consumers. Mr. Fournier also acknowledged Jerry Forrest of Buckingham Valley Vineyards who has been direct marketing his wine since 1966 and presented him with a farm basket in recognition of his efforts. Mr. Forrest thanked Mike Fournier, the Penn State Cooperative Extension, and the Commissioners for their support.

Commissioner Cawley noted that at the "21st Century Alliance" resolution signing, Mayor Yoon Tae-Jin of the Namdong Province of South Korea, and other Delegation members had the opportunity to sample the wine produced here in Bucks County and discussions are underway in an attempt to export Bucks county wine to South Korea.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Agenda Items

Sandy Schiff, a Doylestown resident, inquired about item 21a. Ms. Schiff wanted to know why the county is leasing 25 additional voting machines and David Sanko explained why it is necessary. Ms. Schiff also wanted to know how many districts would be involved and Mr. Sanko stated there are 24 Districts, 2 machines per District. Mr. Martin expressed that it was at the recommendation of Deena Dean in Voter Registration and that any further questions should be directed to her.

Connie Fewles of Warminster suggested that it would be a good idea for the children in attendance to see how many adult 4H members were present at the meeting. Commissioner Martin asked for a show of hands in response to her request.

Commissioner Marseglia expressed a response to concerns over the Special Election that is to be held on September 29, 2009 and suggested that the Commissioners draft a letter to the other counties involved, Montgomery, Northampton, and Lehigh, asking that they join us either in a lawsuit to stop the election, or to join us in a letter of protest. Commissioner Cawley responded that as the Lt. Governor has the right to decide when an election is held, he would not join in a call for a lawsuit, but he would support a letter expressing our displeasure, and asking the other counties to join in would be helpful. Commissioner Martin agreed and suggested that Ms. Marseglia and Mr. Sanko draft the letter.

OLD BUSINESS

Upon motion of Ms. Ellis-Marseglia, seconded by Mr. Cawley, with the vote being 3-0, three sentences with specific language from the audio will be added to page 6 of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 15, 2009.

Upon motion of Mr. Cawley, seconded by Ms. Ellis-Marseglia, with the vote being 3-0, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 15, 2009 were approved, with additions noted.

DISCUSSION – Agenda Items

Joe Funk, Director of Human Services, spoke on item 14a and explained how the Grant funds will be used in response to Mr. Martin's inquiry.

Joe Bush, Director, Special Projects, spoke on items 11b & c and explained that the only outstanding DEP requirement is a fence that is to be installed around the drip irrigation system.

John Dougherty, Director, Emergency Services, spoke on item 9e and stated that the Mutual Aid Agreement ends Bucks County's financial aid responsibility to the other counties in response to Mr. Martin's question. Mr. Dougherty also explained to Ms. Ellis-Marseglia in response to her inquiry that with regard to item 9d, "support of personnel salaries and benefits" is equal to 50% for 3 employees for both salary and benefits.

Vitor Vicente, Director, Community & Business Development, spoke on items 6b & c and explained that these contracts are necessary as a condition of Federal funding in response to Mr. Martin's question.

Rich Harvey, Agricultural Preservation, spoke on items 2a & b and briefly described the 2 farms. Mr. Martin made reference to the publication that outlines the Bucks County Land Preservation Program and thanked the Mease and the Rice families for their efforts.

Bill Shideleff, Court Administration, spoke on item 1a and provided an explanation in response to Ms Ellis-Marseglia’s question regarding the increase in funding and Mr. Cawley provided further clarification.

Brian Duke, Area Agency on Aging, spoke on item 3a and explained that the increased amount was due to increased demand for services in response to Ms. Ellis-Marseglia’s inquiry.

Brian Hessenthaler, Finance, provided an explanation on item 10b in response to Ms. Ellis-Marseglia’s question as to why the library was under Finance as opposed to General Services, and Mr. Cawley provided further clarification. Ms. Ellis-Marseglia also expressed concern about the change orders and Mr. Hessenthaler suggested that the cost of the change order was minimal when compared to the entire scope of the project. Mr. Cawley then referred Ms. Ellis-Marseglia to the President of the Library Board, Councilman Det Ansinn, who was present and provided further explanation.

Jerry Anderson, General Services, and Joe Funk, Human Services, both spoke on item 11a in response to Ms. Ellis-Marseglia’s inquiry and explained that because the vendor paid for renovations and are responsible for the mortgage, they pay no rent for the period of the lease extension.

Joe Funk, MH/MR, spoke on items 16b & c and explained why in this instance the county is paying the Hospitals directly. A discussion followed regarding the names of patients on the paperwork that was shared with the Commissioners and Ms. Ellis-Marseglia expressed concern that this may be a HIPPA violation and that this information should be collected and turned over to the Solicitor so that a legal ruling can be made so that this does not happen again. David Sanko and Joe Funk provided an explanation as to why the names were shared.

Bill Mitchell, Director, Parks & Recreation spoke to items 18h & i. Ms. Ellis-Marseglia wanted to know if the money being used for the change order is CDBG money, to which Mr. Mitchell indicated it is not. Jerry Anderson, Director of Operations, provided further clarification and stated that the funds were coming from old Bond money allocated for ADA improvements. Mr. Cawley also asked Mr. Mitchell how much of Buckwampum Mountain the County now owns and how much is left to which Mr. Mitchell indicated that there are approximately 30 acres left that the county is still interested in.

Dick Manna, Quality Assurance Administration, spoke on items 5a & b and provided the locations of the homes being elevated in response to Mr. Cawley’s inquiry.

Mr. Cawley inquired regarding Ms. Ellis-Marseglia’s objection to item 5c, to which Ms. Ellis-Marseglia responded that she doesn’t believe this attorney should be doing work for the county.

NEW BUSINESS

Upon motion of Ms. Ellis-Marseglia, seconded by Mr. Cawley, and opposed by Mr. Martin, with the vote being 2-1-0, item 10b was TABLED.

Upon motion of Mr. Cawley, seconded by Ms. Ellis-Marseglia, with the vote being 3-0, the following Resolutions were approved with the exception of items 5c,10a, 16b & c, and 21a, which Ms. Ellis-Marseglia opposed but were approved with the vote being 2-1-0, and items 11b & c, which Ms. Ellis-Marseglia abstained, but were approved with the vote being 2-0-1.

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. ADULT PROBATION	a. Pennsylvania Board of Probation and Parole Harrisburg, PA	Approve renewal of Grant In Aid Program for funding of Probation Officer salaries. 7/01/09-6/30/10	\$3,442,359. Revenue
2. AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION	a. Donald G. and Elaine M. Mease Hellertown, PA	Approve county’s portion of a 54.41 acre conservation easement on the Mease farm located on Moyer Road in Springfield Township. (TMP 42-6-28)	\$326,460. (+settlement charges and adjustments)
	b. Estate of Walter E. and Ruth Rice Pipersville, PA	Approve county’s portion of a 77.74 acre conservation easement on the Rice farm, located on Keller’s Church Road in Bedminster Township. (TMP’s 1-19-1-1 and 1-19-17-1)	\$466,440. (+settlement charges and adjustments)

3. AREA AGENCY ON AGING	a. Legal Aid of Southeastern Pennsylvania Bristol, PA	Approve contract increase to cover actual costs incurred. 7/01/08-6/30/09	\$21,897.20**
	b. My Caterer, Inc. Bensalem, PA	Approve contract to provide kosher meals. 8/17/09-6/30/10	\$50,162.**
4. BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SYSTEMS	a. Milliman Consultants and Actuaries Wayne, PA	Approve contract to provide actuarial services for the Bucks County HealthChoices Behavioral Healthcare Program. 7/01/09-6/30/10	\$62,000.**
	b. Susquehanna Group Advisors, Inc. Harrisburg, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide consulting services with respect to the HealthChoices Behavioral Health Program. 7/1/09-6/30/10	\$47,000.**
5. COMMISSIONERS	a. Bass II Enterprises, Inc. Minotola, NJ	Approve contract to elevate a home in Bristol Township as part of the Neshaminy Creek Supplemental Plan.	\$199,000.*
	b. Building Craft Associates, Inc. Richboro, PA	Approve contract to elevate two homes in Bristol Township as part of the Neshaminy Creek Supplemental Plan.	\$383,792.*
	c. Neil A. Morris, Esq. Philadelphia, PA	Approve name change of service provider. 7/01/09-ongoing	
6. COMMUNITY & BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT	a. Bucks County Redevelopment Authority Bristol, PA	Approve amendment for conveyance and new obligor on Bucks County Section 108 loan from Island View Crossing II,LP to O'Neill Island View LP. 6/01/03-8/31/10	
	b. Fair Housing Council of Suburban Philadelphia Swarthmore, PA	Approve contract to implement Fair Housing program and fulfill HUD requirements. 1/1/09 – 6/30/10 (1.5 years)	\$30,000.
	c. Mullin and Lonergan Associates Pittsburgh, PA	Approve contract to provide an Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing.	\$23,580.
7. DISTRICT COURTS	a. Thomson-West Carol Stream, IL	Approve payment for yearly updates to the Purdon's Pennsylvania Statutes.	\$12,880.
8. EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS	a. Cintas Corporation Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract to provide uniform shirts. 9/15/09-1/31/11	\$28,143.75**

9.	EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT	a.	AT Solutions Fredericksburg, VA	Approve contract to provide for the Regional Bomb Technician Training. 7/01/09-7/31/10	\$96,000.
		b.	Bucks County Local Emergency Planning Committee Ivyland, PA	Approve disbursement of Bucks County's share of Ordinance 81 funding to provide training equipment and public information. 1/01/09-12/31/09	\$12,560.
		c.	Kerr & Downs Research Tallahassee, FL	Approve contract to provide for the Regional Evacuation Behavioral Analysis Survey. 7/01/09-6/30/10	\$150,000.
		d.	Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency Harrisburg, PA	Approve Emergency Performance Grant Agreement to support personnel salaries and benefits for approved staff positions. 10/01/08-9/30/09	\$127,858. Revenue
		e.	Southeast Pennsylvania Regional Taskforce	Approve Mutual Aid Agreement among the five counties within the Southeast PA Regional Taskforce.	
10.	FINANCE	a.	Fidelity National Property & Casualty Insurance Company St. Petersburg, FL	Approve contract renewal for annual flood insurance policy. 9/04/09-9/07/10	\$10,425.
	TABLED	b.	Mike Kobithen's Roofing Churchville, PA	Approve contract increase to replace three drains for the roof project at the Yardley Library.	\$1,950.
11.	GENERAL SERVICES	a.	Delaware Valley Forensic Psychological Services, Inc. Doylestown, PA	Approve six year lease extension. 2/01/10-1/31/16	
		b.	Penn Environmental & Remediation, Inc. Hatfield, PA	Approve contract extension for sampling and monitoring of outfalls at Hidden Valley Landfill, as required by PA. DEP. 6/01/09-10/31/09	\$5,000.*
		c.	Penn Environmental & Remediation, Inc. Hatfield, PA	Approve Change Order for additional work required by DEP at the Hidden Valley Landfill.	\$87,508.
		d.	SOGRA / Peace Valley Holistic Center Warminster, PA	Approve Lease Agreement for rental of property at 224 Old Limekiln Road, Chalfont, PA. 9/01/09-9/01/14	\$5,808. Revenue
12.	HEALTH	a.	Pennsylvania Department of Health; Bureau of Community Health Systems Harrisburg, PA	Approve amendment to grant award to provide supplemental funds to support pandemic (H1N1) response. 7/31/09-7/30/10	\$372,432. Revenue

	b.	Pennsylvania Department of Health; Bureau of Health Promotion and Risk Reduction Harrisburg, PA	Approve amendment to grant award to provide supplemental funds dedicated only to the provision of home safety items to at-risk families. 7/01/08-6/30/11	\$17,054. Revenue	
	c.	Thomas Jefferson University Hospital Philadelphia, PA	Approve payment for inpatient medical services for a BCCF inmate. 4/20/09-4/20/09	\$10,119.	
13.	HUMAN RESOURCES	a.	Municipal Employee Benefit Consultants Langhorne, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide insurance coverage to County employees. 8/01/09-7/31/12	\$1,490,616.*
14.	HUMAN SERVICES	a.	Commonwealth of Pennsylvania – PA Department of Community & Economic Development Harrisburg, PA	Approve grant application for the Homeless Prevention & Rapid Re-housing Program (HPRP). 9/30/09-9/30/12	\$383,860. Revenue
15.	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	a.	Verizon Pennsylvania, Inc. North Wales, PA	Approve Right of Way only at 911 Freedom Way, aka the COB 911 Center/EOC, in Ivyland Borough in order to enable connectivity upgrades as per the previously adopted contract.	
16.	MH/MR	a.	Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc. Warminster, PA	Approve payment of invoice for Case Management services as part of the Federal Maximizing Participation Project. 7/01/08-6/30/09	\$19,452.
		b.	Grand View Hospital Sellersville, PA	Approve payment of invoice for inpatient services to 7 individuals. 2/29/08-3/16/09	\$20,203.44
		c.	Lower Bucks Hospital Bristol, PA	Approve payment of invoice for inpatient services to 30 individuals. 10/04/08-4/28/09	\$110,188.
		d.	The Salvation Army, Inc. Philadelphia, PA	Approve contract increase to cover additional cost of Supervised Living-Waiver service. 7/01/08-6/30/09	\$95,982.**
17.	NESHAMINY MANOR	a.	David A. Sydney, MD Newtown, PA	Approve Consultant/Physicians Services contract. 8/13/09-8/17/10 with automatic renewal	
		b.	Firststaff Nursing, Inc. Bala Cynwyd, PA	Approve contract increase due to increased use of agency services. 11/01/08-10/31/09 with automatic renewal	\$100,000.**

	c.	John Yardumian, DO New Hope, PA	Approve Consultant/Physicians Services contract. 8/13/09-8/17/10 with automatic renewal	
	d.	Onward Healthcare, Inc. Cherry Hill, NJ	Approve contract decrease due to decreased use of agency. 2/15/06-2/14/10with automatic renewal	(\$50,000.)
	e.	Stone Medical Staffing, Inc. Morrisville, PA	Approve contract decrease due to decreased use of agency. 7/01/08-6/30/10 with automatic renewal	(\$50,000.)
18. PARKS & RECREATION	a.	Bucks County Parks Preservation Foundation Doylestown, PA	Approve a Deed of Park/Conservation Easement in perpetuity of 1 tax parcel containing 15.899 acres in Northampton Township (Churchville Park).	
	b.	Bucks County Parks Preservation Foundation Doylestown, PA	Approve a Deed of Park/Conservation Easement in perpetuity of 1 tax parcel containing 23.081 acres in Nockamixon Township (Bucks County Horse Park).	
	c.	Bucks County Parks Preservation Foundation Doylestown, PA	Approve a Deed of Park/Conservation Easement in perpetuity of 1 tax parcel containing 31.96 acres in Bridgeton Township (Ringing Rocks Park).	
	d.	Bucks County Parks Preservation Foundation Doylestown, PA	Approve a Deed of Park/Conservation Easement in perpetuity of 1 tax parcel containing 10.119 acres in Springfield Township (Buckwampum Mountain)	
	e.	Bucks County Parks Preservation Foundation Doylestown, PA	Approve a Deed of Park/Conservation Easement in perpetuity of 1 tax parcel containing .38 acres in Bristol Township (Silver Lake Park).	
	f.	Bucks County Parks Preservation Foundation Doylestown, PA	Approve a Deed of Park/Conservation Easement in perpetuity of 1 tax parcel containing 2.05 acres in Springfield Township (Buckwampum Mountain).	

	g.	Bucks County Parks Preservation Foundation Doylestown, PA	Approve a Deed of Park/Conservation Easement in perpetuity of 1 tax parcel containing 3.36 acres in Springfield Township (Buckwampum Mountain).		
	h.	Donald E. Reisinger, Inc. West Chester, PA	Approve change order for additional work at Tinicum Park barn. 1/12/09-6/30/09	\$2,743.28	
	i.	Twining Construction Co., Inc. Newtown, PA	Approve contract to provide an addition to public restroom in Tinicum Park to comply with ADA requirements. 7/15/09-12/15/09	\$52,200.	
19.	PLANNING COMMISSION	a.	Sellersville Borough Sellersville, PA	Approve the hiring of Bucks County Planning Commission staff for 1 year to update Open Space Plan.	\$8,280. Revenue
20.	PUBLIC DEFENDER	a.	Forensic Safety Group Willow Grove, PA	Approve contract to provide bio-mechanical expertise. 6/01/09-6/01/10	\$22,000.**
21.	VOTING MACHINES	a.	Electec, Inc. Mount Holly, NJ	Approve lease of 25 additional Danaher 1242 Voting Machines needed for the special election to be held on 9/29/09 in the 24 th Senatorial District. 8/01/09-11/30/09	\$11,250.
22.	YOUTH CENTER	a.	Dentrust Dental International, Inc. Warrington, PA	Approve contract extension to provide dental care for residents. 1/01/09-12/31/11	\$1,785.* /8/hr. visits
		b.	Feesers, Inc. Harrisburg, PA	Approve contract to provide for the purchase of food for the Bucks County Youth Center. 7/01/09-6/30/10	\$16,000.**
		c.	Kast Distributors, Inc. Carneys Point, NJ	Approve contract to provide for the purchase of food for the Bucks County Youth Center. 7/01/09-6/30/10	\$16,000.**
		d.	US Foodservice - Allentown Allentown, PA	Approve contract to provide for the purchase of food for the Bucks County Youth Center. 7/01/09-6/30/10	\$20,000.**
23.	OTHER CIVICS	a.	Actor's NET of Bucks County Pennsbury Society Boy Scouts of America Freedom Valley Girl Scouts Middletown Grange Fair	Approve payment	\$1,000. \$2,000. \$5,000. \$5,000. \$2,500.

*Unit Cost/Estimated for operational purposes

** Unit Cost/Not to Exceed

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

PERSONNEL

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

APPOINTMENTS

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
1.	Joseph D. Alosi J.R.#23	Corrections Officer Unit 01	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	08/03/09	17.37 PH
2.	Jacen T. Buono J.R.#23	Corrections Officer Unit 01	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	08/03/09	17.37 PH
3.	Scott D. Chase J.R.#23	Corrections Officer Unit 01	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	08/03/09	17.37 PH
4.	Austin Cush J.R.#21	Food Service Attendant Unit 03	NM Dietary 24.0 hrs/wk	08/29/09	12.01 PH
5.	Amanda L. Darling J.R.#382	Admin Assistant Secretary Unit 00	MCCC 40.0 hrs/wk	08/17/09 02/17/10	20.22 PH To 3% 6 months
6.	Jamie W. DiPasquo J.R.#23	Corrections Officer Unit 01	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	08/03/09	17.37 PH
7.	Laurine T. Cook J.R.#23	Corrections Officer Unit 01	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	08/03/09	17.37 PH
8.	Dustin J. Crouthamel J.R.#23	Corrections Officer Unit 01	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	08/03/09	17.37 PH
9.	Nicolas C. Dow J.R.#434	911 Telecom Specialist Unit 00	911 Emergency Response 40.0 hrs/wk	08/29/09	19.50 PH
10.	Susan Green J.R.#447	Activities Assistant Unit 03	NM Activities 40.0 hrs/wk	08/31/09	16.32 PH
11.	Suzanne Hecker J.R.#373	Med Rsrv Corp Coord Unit 00	Health 40.0 hrs/wk	08/17/09	24.88 PH
12.	Anna M. McGill J.R.#376	PHN II (Prison) Unit 06	Health 40.0 hrs/wk	10/10/09	28.63 PH
13.	Timothy M. Moran J.R.#23	Corrections Officer Unit 01	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	08/03/09	17.37 PH
14.	Joseph M. Nieves J.R.#396	Help Desk Specialist Unit 46	Information Technology 40.0 hrs/wk	08/17/09	19.88 PH
15.	Kimberly Pomrink J.R.#388	PHN III Unit 06	Health 40.0 hrs/wk	08/17/09	27.66 PH
16.	Allison T. Sokoloff J.R.#21	Food Service Attendant Unit 03	NM Dietary 24.0 hrs/wk	08/01/09	12.01 PH
17.	Ben R. Wilson J.R.#494	Clerk Typist – CRT Operator Unit 00	Health 20.0 hrs/wk	08/17/09	16.32 PH

REHIRE

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
18.	Megan E. Cromer J.R.#480 Sepdate 07/01/08	County Social Worker I Unit 04	Children & Youth 37.5 hrs/wk	09/14/09	24.63 PH
19.	Tanesia D. Jones J.R.#23 Sepdate 05/02/07	Corrections Officer Unit 01	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	08/03/09	22.83 PH
20.	Christine L. Kerest J.R.#20 Sepdate 03/30/09	Registered Nurse - Pool Unit 60	Registered Nurse 8.0 hrs/wk	08/01/09	33.08 PH

21.	Franklin E. Williams J.R.#23 Sepdate 04/27/07	Corrections Officer Unit 01	Corrections 40.0 hrs/wk	08/03/09	17.37 PH
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PER DIEM TO PERM

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
22.	Theresa Groves J.R.#22	Dispatcher Trainee Unit 03 To Dispatcher I Unit 03	911 Emergency Response 30.0 hrs/wk To 911 Emergency Response 40.0 hrs/wk	08/17/09	13.52 PH To 21.41 PH
23.	Roland Jean-Baptiste J.R.#13	Nursing Assistant – PD Unit 03 To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk To NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk	08/15/09	13.89 PH To 16.32 PH
24.	Diane M. Kirk J.R.#22	Dispatcher Trainee Unit 03 To Dispatcher I Unit 03	911 Emergency Response 30.0 hrs/wk To 911 Emergency Response 40.0 hrs/wk	08/17/09	13.52 PH To 21.41 PH
25.	Crystal N. Lichty J.R.#13	Nursing Assistant – PD Unit 03 To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk To NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk	08/15/09	13.89 PH To 16.32 PH
26.	Renata M. Lorenz J.R.#92	Food Service Attendant – PD Unit 03 To Food Service Attendant Unit 03	NM Dietary 40.0 hrs/wk To NM Dietary 40.0 hrs/wk	08/15/09	12.01 PH To 15.05 PH
27.	Kathleen M. McCole J.R.#22	Dispatcher Trainee Unit 03 To Dispatcher I Unit 03	911 Emergency Response 30.0 hrs/wk To 911 Emergency Response 40.0 hrs/wk	08/17/09	13.52 PH To 21.41 PH
28.	Amanda Pustiak J.R.#22	Dispatcher Trainee Unit 03 To Dispatcher I Unit 03	911 Emergency Response 30.0 hrs/wk To 911 Emergency Response 40.0 hrs/wk	08/17/09	13.52 PH To 21.41 PH
29.	Grace M. Sinclair J.R.#492	PHN Pool (prison) Unit 60 To PHN IV Supervisor Unit 86	Health Department 20.0 hrs/wk To Health Department 40.0 hrs/wk	08/17/09	32.13 PH To 31.96 PH

POSITION CHANGE

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
30.	Tyisha S. Brooks J.R.#13	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 03 To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	NM Nursing 24.0 hrs/wk To NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk	08/01/09	13.89 PH To 13.89 PH
31.	Michelle N. Bourne J.R.#13	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 03 To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	NM Nursing 24.0 hrs/wk To NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk	08/01/09	13.89 PH To 13.89 PH
32.	Valecia V. Horton J.R.#13	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 03 To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	NM Nursing 24.0 hrs/wk To NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk	05/09/09	13.89 PH To 13.89 PH
33.	Lisa L. Lentz J.R.#337	County Caseworker II Unit 04 To MR Program Spec I Unit 04	MH/MR 37.5 hrs/wk To MH/MR 37.5 hrs/wk	08/03/09	28.07 PH To 29.85 PH

34.	Immacula A. Michel J.R.#13	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 03 To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	NM Nursing 24.0 hrs/wk To NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk	08/01/09	13.89 PH To 13.89 PH
35.	Tonetta D. Thomas J.R.#13	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 03 To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	NM Nursing 24.0 hrs/wk To NM Nursing 40.0 hrs/wk	08/01/09	13.89 PH To 13.89 PH

TRANSFER

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
36.	Ariel E. Abrams J.R.#478	County Caseworker II Unit 04 To County Caseworker II Unit 04	Children & Youth 37.5 hrs/wk To Children & Youth 37.5 hrs/wk	08/15/09	20.80 PH To 20.80 PH
37.	Patricia D. Caimano J.R.#468	Assistant Project Admin Unit 00 To Archivist Clerk Unit 05	Community and Business 40.0 hrs/wk To Register of Wills 40.0 hrs/wk	08/13/09	18.00 PH To 16.81 PH

PROMOTION

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
38.	Charla T. Bendas J.R.#404	PHNII Unit 06 To Education Director Unit 00	Health 40.0 hrs/wk To NM Admin 40.0 hrs/wk	08/29/09	29.26 PH To 69,152.81 PA To 02/29/10 3% 6 months
39.	Meredith A. Dolan	Assistant Human Resources Director Unit 00 To Human Resources Director Unit 00	Human Resources 40.0 hrs/wk To Human Resources 40.0 hrs/wk	08/13/09	74,456.82 PA To 82,000.00 PA

END OUT OF CLASS

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
40.	Meredith A. Dolan	Acting Human Resources Director Unit 00 To Assistant Human Resources Director Unit 00	Human Resources 40.0 hrs/wk To Human Resources 40.0 hrs/wk	08/12/09	77,570.57 PA To 74,456.82 PA

SALARY ADJUSTMENT

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
41.	Susan E. Harrity	Assistant to Director of Security Unit 00 To Assistant to Director of Security Unit 00	Security 40.0 hrs/wk To Security 40.0 hrs/wk	07/22/09	18.50 PH To 19.20 PH

SEPARATIONS

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
42.	Hershey G. Arcilla	Registered Nurse	NM Nursing	07/25/09	Separation
43.	Mary E. Balkus	Admin Asst Secretary	MCCC	07/20/09	Separation**
44.	Valerie H. Cesar	Nursing Assistant -Pool	NM Nursing	07/10/09	Separation
45.	Richard T. Clark	Dispatcher I	911 Emergency Response	07/11/09	Separation
46.	Goundo Camara	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing	07/21/09	Separation
47.	Valerie Cooper	911 Telecomm Specialist	911 Emergency Response	07/31/09	Separation
48.	Patricia A. Davis	Public Health Program Spvr	Health	07/10/09	Separation
49.	Mary K. Dougherty	Food Service Attendant	NM Dietary	08/01/09	Separation
50.	Frederick A. Fanelli	Food Services Attendant	NM Dietary	07/26/09	Separation
51.	Jonathan R. Feller	Food Service Attendant	NM Dietary	08/27/09	Separation
52.	Edward J. Flosdorf	Maintenance Supervisor	General Services	07/03/09	Separation
53.	Brandon J. Gainer	Seasonal Help	Parks & Recreation	07/22/09	Separation
54.	Andrew B. Gardner	Seasonal Help	Parks & Recreation	08/04/09	Separation
55.	Nicole S. Hafer	Security Screener	Security	07/13/09	Separation
56.	John R. Kraemer	Corrections Officer	Main Jail	07/31/09	Separation

57.	Benjamin A. Kritzer	Seasonal Help	Parks & Recreation	07/16/09	Separation
58.	Sean P. Marshall	Corrections Officer	Corrections	07/14/09	Separation
59.	Joan T. McCoy	Aging Care Manager II	AAA	08/03/09	Separation
60.	Tina M. Monach	Dispatcher I	911 Emergency Response	07/21/09	Separation
61.	Jessica D. Pacek	County Caseworker II	Children & Youth	07/21/09	Separation
62.	Andrew W. Penecale	Seasonal Help	Parks & Recreation	08/04/09	Separation
63.	Edward J. Plandowski	Correction Officer	Corrections	07/30/09	Separation
64.	Michele T. Socini	County Caseworker II	Children & Youth	08/07/09	Separation
65.	Diana L. Strawn	Dispatcher Trainee	911 Emergency Response	07/15/09	Separation
66.	Matthew J. Teitelman	Food Service Attendant	NM Dietary	08/23/09	Separation
67.	Judith G. Williams	Nursing Assistant	NM Nursing	07/29/09	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.

Mr. Cawley noted item 39 on the list and congratulated Meredith Dolan on her promotion to Human Resources Director.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Upon motion of Mr. Cawley, seconded by Mr. Martin, and opposed by Ms. Ellis-Marseglia, with the vote as follows, 2-1-0, a Resolution was adopted to approve the following Appointments:

Local Emergency Planning Committee

- Zachary Dunkelberger – reappointment, term expires 8/31/11
- David M. Harris – reappointment, term expires 8/31/11
- Mark Showmaker – reappointment, term expires 8/31/11

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

Bicycle Advisory Task Force

- Troy Termyna- reappointment, term expires 6/30/10

Upon motion of Mr. Cawley, seconded by Ms. Ellis-Marseglia, with the vote as follows, 3-0, a Resolution was Adopted to approve the following Appointments:

Housing Development Corporation

- Hon. Philip J. Daly, Dist. Justice, reappointment, term expires 6/30/12

Park & Recreation Board

- Michelle G. Smyser – reappointment, term expires 9/1/14

Workforce Investment Board

- Clark Shuster – reappointment, term expires 7/1/12

Upon motion of Ms. Ellis-Marseglia, seconded by Mr. Martin, with the vote as follows, 3-0, a Resolution was adopted to approve the following appointment:

Women’s Advisory Council

- Denise V. Miliner – new appointment, term expires 4/9/12

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

MISCELLANEOUS

David M. Sanko, Chief Operating Officer, reported on the following:

Mr. Sanko spoke of a notation from General Services congratulating Pete McElroy, Assets Manager, for greatly exceeding the annual expectation for the Surplus Property Disposition, which provides additional revenue for the County.

Mr. Sanko announced that Bucks County has been selected to serve as the face for the Permanency Project which is a partnership between the Children in Youth Department and the Court of Common Pleas, and is a new and innovative strategy that the Department of Public Welfare is supporting.

An update from the Water & Sewer Authority regarding the status of litigation in Doylestown Borough has been circulated to the Commissioners.

Recommendations on a “Whistleblower” policy and a “Drug Free Work Place” policy are being committed to writing and a draft will be given to the Commissioners for their consideration.

During a conference call Mr. Sanko learned that the Center for Disease Control is suggesting that no one over the age of 65 should be given the swine flu vaccine. Mr. Sanko is recommending that the Commissioners come up with their own policy regarding the target population that should receive the vaccine. Dr. Damsker, County Health Director, elaborated and explained that the CDC has taken the position that if the county were to receive only a limited supply of the vaccine, then those over 65 are not among the priority group who should receive it because 99% of those who have been infected have not been over 65 years of age. Dr. Damsker went on to say that his hope is that the vaccine comes in such a supply that this does not become an issue and anyone who wants it can have it. Mr. Cawley then requested that Dr. Damsker take back a message to the Board of Health from the Commissioners that they would encourage that the vaccine should be made available to anyone in Bucks County who requests it, regardless of age.

Mr. Sanko provided an update with regard to the State Budget and stated that basically there is no news out of Harrisburg with the exception of the “Stop Gap Budget” that was passed to ensure that State employees continue to be paid and some critical programs continue to be funded. Mr. Sanko spoke of the great impact that this has on Bucks County, particularly with regard to Human Services funding. He suggested that Bucks County can be proud of its efforts to control spending as opposed to raising taxes for the taxpayers. What is helping us to do this, in addition to the cash reserves, is the involvement of new partners. With regard to Human services there are non-profit organizations, faith-based organizations, private corporations, and foundations that want to make contributions and those funds are becoming an increasingly greater part of the funding that the Government has been providing. Mr. Sanko pointed to two instances of this going on right now. The Opportunity Council will be hosting a Weatherization Contractors Workshop for local contractors and the Area Agency on Aging is conducting a food collection drive coordinated through the Opportunity Council. Mr. Sanko suggested that there is an increasingly greater role for the private sector to contribute to avoid passing the burden on to the taxpayers.

Mr. Sanko announced that he will be leaving the public sector and going to work in the private sector. He stated that he has enjoyed the opportunity here in Bucks County and is proud of the work that has been done over the past five years. He spoke of the great foundation that has been set for keeping taxes low and providing great services. Mr. Sanko thanked all the employees, the senior staff and division leaders, and the Commissioners and expressed that it has been a pleasure to work with them and continues to wish them well as we move forward.

The Commissioners offered comments on the following matters:

Commissioner Cawley expressed that he is conflicted in his feelings as David Sanko leaves. He is sad for the County of Bucks and its citizens as we will no longer be able to draw upon his leadership and expertise, but he is happy for him and his family and wishes him well in his new venture. Mr. Cawley expressed his profound gratitude for all of his efforts and his service.

Commissioner Ellis-Marseglia inquired about the status of the Human Resources policy regarding the posting requirement and the legal bills for non-row offices. David Sanko responded and indicated that the changes to the Recruitment section of the Personnel Policy as it relates to the posting requirement were adopted by the Commissioners on May 6th and the Policy was amended to reflect the changes. Mr. Cawley agreed with Ms. Ellis-Marseglia that there are additional policy considerations that may still need to be considered at the next meeting after review. Mr. Cawley went on to say that he is meeting with the Solicitor who is exploring how other counties are processing legal bills for non-row offices and will have more information at the next meeting.

Commissioner Ellis-Marseglia asked Bill Mitchell of Parks & Recreation if there are currently water connections for which the county received permits several years ago that are not being used and could potentially be used now in the area of Core Creek park where the Dog Park is proposed. Mr. Mitchell responded that there are none in that area of the park.

Commissioner Ellis-Marseglia posed a philosophical question to the Board with regard to the Board of Assessments and the way they are conducting Assessment Appeals against the advice of their Solicitor. Ms. Ellis-Marseglia suggested that if the County is being sued by some as a result of the current practices of the Board of Assessments, then why not do rolling reassessments and see what happens. Mr. Cawley responded that well-established law against rolling reassessments is different from the opinion of one Solicitor, specifically the Solicitor advising the Board of Assessments, and that doing rolling reassessments could expose the County to some kind of legal liability. Mr. Martin expressed his opinion on the matter and acknowledged the presence of State Representative Kathy Watson who has fought for rolling reassessments in Harrisburg.

Commissioner Martin expressed that it has been a pleasure working with David Sanko for the past five years. He suggested that Bucks County is probably the envy of every other county in Pennsylvania largely due to the excellent leadership of Mr. Sanko. He went on to say that managing is not always doing the popular thing, but the right thing and that is what Mr. Sanko has done and he will be very difficult to replace. Mr. Martin wished him and his family well moving forward.

Commissioner Martin announced that he had a telephone conversation with Mayor Nutter of Philadelphia earlier this week and that there is another Regional meeting scheduled for next week. Mr. Martin expressed to Mayor Nutter that Bucks County would be supportive of his efforts to avoid a big problem in Philadelphia by raising the Sales Tax and making changes to the Pension Plan. Mr. Martin also wished the Governor well in resolving the problem.

Commissioner Martin commented on an article that appeared in the Courier Times recently regarding the cost of the proposed dog park in Core Creek. Mr. Martin called the article premature as the dollar amount quoted in the article had never been discussed. He went on to say that what was discussed, but not in the article, was the fact that the tax payers would not pay any of the cost for the park as there is a fund of money from additional tipping fees from Waste Management Landfill that is to be spent on recreational projects only and the money for the dog park would come from that fund.

Commissioner Cawley reported on his trip to the County Commissioners Association Annual Conference in Somerset County this week. As the Chairman of the Energy Environment and Land Use Committee Mr. Cawley and other committee members were able to adopt a resolution on more comprehensive storm water management. But the overall major topic of discussion at the conference was the state of the Budget impasse and its impact on the counties. Mr. Cawley spoke of the great frustration among his colleagues and the quickly depleting county surplus and suggested that if this continues there are services that are going to be cut. He further suggested that even if we are able to recoup some of the money when a budget is finally passed, it is highly unlikely that we will recoup all of the money spent on these services. Strongly suggested at the conference was the importance of calling on the people to encourage more discussion in Harrisburg. Mr. Cawley then encouraged the Commissioners to review the memo that he has forwarded to them from the conference and suggested that he has some ideas about ways in which we may be able to bring greater attention to this matter and hopefully spur on some action that may bring it to a successful conclusion.

PUBLIC COMMENT – All Items

Edward Twining, a member of the Makefield Religious Society of Friends and a member of the Bucks County Farmers Association spoke about his family's tradition with the fair and their involvement with agriculture in Bucks County. He thanked the association, various members of his family, and the attendees for continuing the Grange Fair tradition. He also applauded the Commissioners for their efforts toward farm land preservation and asked them to take all legal means to take the 252 acres that he was raised on to use as some kind of preserved property.

Jane Magne, a Wrightstown Township resident and member of the Bucks County Foodshed Alliance, spoke of additional venues for Farm Markets in Bucks County that are open to the public.

Det Ansinn, Councilman and resident of Doylestown Borough, expressed his concern to the Commissioners regarding the make-up of the Bucks County Water & Sewer Authority Board, specifically that the Board is comprised of members that do not live in the area served by the Water & Sewer Authority. His concern is that Doylestown Borough residents do not have a voice on the Board when it comes raising attention to problems and issues. He asserts that this is a "taxation without representation" problem. Mr. Ansinn asked the Commissioners to take action to appoint Board members that represent the areas that it serves. Commissioner Martin explained that this would be difficult as the Water & Sewer Authority serves 25 Municipalities and only has 5 Board members. A lengthy discussion followed among all three Commissioners and Mr. Ansinn, at which time Ms. Ellis-Marseglia pledged that if possible she would try to appoint someone to the Board who lives in an area served by the Bucks County Water & Sewer Authority. Ms. Ellis-Marseglia also suggested that a representative from the Bucks County Water & Sewer Authority be present at the next Commissioners meeting to answer questions with regard to which communities are being served by specific plants. Mr. Martin suggested it would be better to wait until a more appropriate time to put that on an Agenda.

Madeline Rawley, a Doylestown resident, inquired whether the Commissioners had an opportunity to review the National League of Woman Voters election auditing report that she delivered to their offices. That report speaks to the fact that the procedures used in an election can actually affect the outcome of an election as well as the accuracy of the machines used and substantiates the need for an election evaluation committee to be set up as she has requested. Mrs. Rawley asked Mr. Cawley if a decision had been reached with regard to this matter and Mr. Cawley responded that it had not and that he would be doing additional follow-up with the Director of the Board of Elections before announcing any decision.

Sandy Schiff, a Doylestown resident, asked if the Annual License and Support fees for voting machines have been paid, or will be paid, and will they appear on some future agenda in the form of a resolution. Ms. Schiff was referred to Deena Dean, Director of Voter Registration who stated she would look up the answer to that question upon her return to the office and relay the information to Ms. Schiff.

Jim Becker, an instructor of the Bucks County Fire School, asked the Board not to automatically renew the contract with the Bucks County Community College to manage the Fire School. Mr. Becker would like to be able to address the Commissioners at a public meeting, along with his fellow firefighters regarding some troubling issues and asked that the words "automatic renewal" be removed from the contract. Mr. Cawley responded and stated that several independent investigations are currently underway to examine some of the claims that Mr. Becker sighted and suggested that it was made clear to the Board of Trustees at the Bucks County Community College that the Bucks County Fire Service was to be given top priority status. Mr. Becker invited the Commissioners to attend a meeting of

the Fire Chiefs and Fire Fighters Association and asked that the Commissioners keep this issue on the front burner until it is resolved.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The next public meeting of the Bucks County Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, September 2, 2009, at 10:00 a.m., at the Warminster Fire Department, Station 90,300 Madison Avenue, Warminster, PA.

ADJOURNMENT

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

Approved:

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BY:

Charles H. Martin
Chairman

James F. Cawley, Esq.
Commissioner

Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia
Commissioner

David M. Sanko, County Chief Clerk