

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

February 17, 2016

The Regular Meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners was held this day at 10:00 a.m., at the Bucks County Administration Building, 55 E. Court Street, Doylestown, Pennsylvania. In attendance were Commissioner Robert G. Loughery, Chairman, and Commissioner Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia. Commissioner Charles H. Martin was not present. Chairman Loughery opened the meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

Chairman Loughery recognized County Row Officers Donald Petrille, Register of Wills; Thomas Panzer, Treasurer; and Kimberly Doran, Acting Controller.

PROCLAMATIONS AND COMMENDATIONS

The Commissioners proclaimed March 12, 2016 as “BUCKS COUNTY ST. PATRICK’S DAY PARADE CELEBRATION,” encouraging all Bucks Countians to join the annual parade at 10:30 a.m. that same day as it steps off from St. Joseph the Worker Church in Falls Township. Maggie Lorady, the 2016 Grand Marshal, noted the hard work the parade’s committee puts forth to organize this much loved community event. She was honored to be selected as Grand Marshal in light of this year’s theme, “Honor the Police,” because her son is a police officer.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Agenda Items

None.

OLD BUSINESS

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, who also seconded, with the vote being 2-0, the Minutes for the regular meeting of February 3, 2016 were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Loughery reviewed the agenda for the public, providing clarification and addressing questions and comments.

Item 1a - Richard Harvey, of the Agricultural Land Preservation Program, presented information on the County’s portion of a 17.71 acre agricultural conservation easement on the Serwell farm in Buckingham Township, half of which is in production. He noted that the Serwell farm would add a key component to several preserved farms that are adjacent to the site. The Agricultural Land Preservation Board is offering \$10,000 per acre and Buckingham Township is contributing \$8,500 per acre. Should the resolution be approved, Mr. Harvey said 187 farms would be preserved to date.

Items 4a through c – Chairman Loughery mentioned that the following contracts would provide renovation work on the first and fifth floors of the Administration Building.

Items 8a and b - Open Space Coordinator David Johnson presented information on a Municipal Open Space Improvement Grant for 13 percent of the estimated construction costs for the Neshaminy Greenway Trail in Chalfont Borough. The proposed trail, crossing three parcels, will connect into a larger trail network within the borough and surrounding municipalities. Also for consideration was an Improvement Grant for 67 percent of the estimated costs for the first phase of New Britain Township’s Veterans Park project on a parcel of property that is leased from the County. Mr. Johnson mentioned that the Open Space Board has requested that the County place a conservation easement on the parcel, with Chief Clerk Lynn Bush adding there is precedence for such a request. He said both contracts would obligate the two municipalities’ Open Space allocations.

RESOLUTIONS

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, seconded by Chairman Loughery, with the vote being 2-0, the following Resolutions were approved:

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

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>WITH</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1. AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION	a. Randall Serwell Wycombe, PA	Approve 17.71 acre agricultural conservation easement on the Serwell farm located on New Hope Road in Buckingham Township. (TMP 06-018-069-004)	\$177,134 + settlement charges and adjustments (County 100%)

2. CHILDREN & YOUTH	a. Access Services Fort Washington, PA	Approve contract increase to cover additional days of specialized foster care services. 7/1/14 – 7/1/15	\$6,076** (County 15%)
	b. Child & Family Focus Valley Forge, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide specialized foster care. 7/1/15 – 6/30/16	\$35,989** (County 10%)
	c. George Junior Republic in Pennsylvania Grove City, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide long-term residential care. 7/1/15 – 6/30/16	\$850,000** (County 38%)
	d. Pressley Ridge Pittsburgh, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide specialized foster care. 7/1/15 – 6/30/16	\$17,600** (County 10%)
	e. The Impact Project, Inc. Emmaus, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide specialized foster care. 7/1/15 – 6/30/16	\$115,000** (County 18%)
	f. Youth Services Agency Jim Thorpe, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide case management, counseling, and residential treatment services for adolescents. 7/1/15 – 6/30/16	\$1,545,000** (County 12%)
	g. Daniel M. Keane Doylestown, PA	Approve contract to serve as a Solicitor. 2/17/16 – ongoing	\$100/ hr (County 32%)
3. COURTS	a. Redwood Toxicology Laboratory Santa Rosa, CA	Approve contract to provide drug screenings services. 1/1/16 – 10/31/17	\$66,000** (County 0%)
4. GENERAL SERVICES	a. CMG of Easton Easton, PA	Approve contract for General Contractor for renovations to 55 East Court Street.	\$595,000 (County 100%)
	b. Myco Mechanical Telford, PA	Approve contract for Mechanical Contractor for renovations to 55 East Court Street.	\$92,000 (County 100%)
	c. Pinnacle Electrical Construction, LLC Warminster, PA	Approve contract for Electrical Contractor for renovations to 55 East Court Street.	\$522,100 (County 100%)
	d. Koch Holdings, Inc. (Milham Ford) Easton, PA	Approve purchase of the following 2016 vehicles: two Ford Transit 350XL Passenger Vans, and a Ford Transit 350 Cargo Van for the Department of Corrections; a Ford Transit 250 Cargo Van for General Service; two Ford Police Interceptor Utility vehicles for Parks & Recreation; a Ford Police Interceptor Utility vehicle, and a Ford Transit 350 Cargo Van for the Sheriff Department.	\$216,979** (County 100%)
	e. RGH Automotive LLC (New Holland Auto Group) New Holland, PA	Approve purchase of two 2016 Ford Police Interceptor Sedans for the Sheriff Department.	\$47,598** (County 100%)
	f. Westgate Chevrolet, Inc. (Apple Chevrolet) York, PA	Approve purchase of a 2016 Chevrolet Silverado Double Cab work truck for the Fire Marshal's office.	\$29,368** (County 100%)
	g. Whitmoyer Auto Group Mount Joy, PA	Approve purchase of two 2016 Chevrolet Silverado Work Trucks for General Services.	\$62,073 ** (County 100%)

	h.	Tri-County Collision Center Southampton, PA	Approve contract increase for vehicle body shop services. 12/17/14 – 12/17/16	\$35,000** (County 100%)
	i.	Mazaheri Enterprises, LLC Doylestown, PA	Approve property easement to allow pedestrian and vehicular access to property. (TMP 08-004-364)	
5. HEALTH	a.	Pennsylvania Department of Health, Bureau of Communicable Diseases Harrisburg, PA	Approve tuberculosis grant award. 7/1/16 – 6/30/18	\$81,550 (Revenue)
6. HUMAN SERVICES	a.	Advocates For Homeless & Those In Need – AHTN Fairless Hills, PA	Approve contract amendment to provide transportation support to shelters during Code Blue events. 7/1/15 – 6/30/16	\$5,000** (County 4.1%)
	b.	Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc. Warminster, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide outpatient intervention and treatment services. 7/1/15 – 6/30/16	\$33,000** (County 4.1%)
7. NESHAMINY MANOR	a.	American Data Sauk City, WI	Approve contract renewal for annual maintenance agreement of electronic charting system. 1/1/16 – 12/31/16	\$30,000** (County 0%)
	b.	SimplexGrinnel, LP Horsham, PA	Approve purchase of replacement equipment to maintain the Patient Elopement System.	\$19,482 (County 0%)
8. OPEN SPACE	a.	Chalfont Borough	Approve Municipal Open Space Improvement Grant for 13% of the estimated costs of the construction of the Neshaminy Greenway Trail. (TMP 26- 017-023, 07-009-022-002 & 07-009- 022)	\$25,099.41 (County 100%)
	b.	New Britain Township	Approve Municipal Open Space Improvement Grant for 67% of the estimated costs of the construction of the first phase of Veterans Park. (TMP 26- 001-049 & 26-001-051-001)	\$195,058 (County 100%)
9. PURCHASING	a.		Approve revisions to County Purchasing Policies and Procedures.	
10. TREASURER	a.	Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellot, LLC Philadelphia, PA	Approve Letter Agreement to provide outside counsel in connection with labor, employment and miscellaneous matters. 2/2/16 - Open	\$200/hr to \$285/hr + expenses. (County 100%)
11. YOUTH CENTER	a.	U.S. Foods Allentown, PA	Approve contract renewal to purchase food supplies through U.S. Communities Government Purchasing Alliance. 1/1/16 – 12/31/16	\$80,000** (County 50%)
	b.	Wawa Wawa, PA	Approve contract renewal for cooler rental and the purchase of milk and milk products for residents. 1/1/16 – 12/31/16	\$24,120** (County 50%)

\*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.

MISCELLANEOUS

By roll call vote as follows, Commissioner Marseglia – aye, and Chairman Loughery - aye, with the vote being 2-0, the following Miscellaneous Item was approved:

Approve Resolution related to the financing for Friends Boarding Home of Bucks Quarterly Meeting, Inc. through the Bucks County Industrial Development Authority to approve issuance of tax-exempt revenue note not to exceed \$2,600,000 and approve the Certificate of Approval of the Chairman of the Board of County Commissioners that authorizes the Chairman to sign all necessary documents to this effect. This resolution in no way pledges or otherwise obligates the County of Bucks for payment of any principal or interest with regard to this note.

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

PERSONNEL

Upon motion of Chairman Loughery, seconded by Commissioner Marseglia, with the vote being 2-0, the following Personnel Actions were approved:

**APPOINTMENTS**

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>DATE*</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
1.	Alex M. Bradfield J.R. #3005	Help Desk Specialist Unit 46	Information Technology 40.0 hrs/wk	02/29/16	22.39 PH
2.	Daniel McCarthy J.R. #2929	Technical Specialist Unit 00	Information Technology 40.0 hrs/wk	03/14/16	35.88 PH
3.	Robert M. Mitchell J.R. #3024	Public Health Preparedness Planner Unit 00	Health 40.0 hrs/wk	02/22/16	60,000.00 PA

**PER DIEM TO PERM**

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>DATE*</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
4.	Elizabeth Abney	Nursing Assistant – PD Unit 03 To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	NM Nursing Assistants 40.0 hrs/wk To NM Nursing Assistants 40.0 hrs/wk	02/28/16	19.19 PH
5.	Shannon E. Gilroy	Dispatcher Trainee – PD Unit 03 To Dispatcher I Unit 03	911 Emergency Response 30.0 hrs/wk To 911 Emergency Response 40.0 hrs/wk	02/20/16	25.18 PH
6.	Bonnie J. Taggart	Dispatcher Trainee – PD Unit 03 To Dispatcher I Unit 03	911 Emergency Response 30.0 hrs/wk To 911 Emergency Response 40.0 hrs/wk	02/20/16	25.18 PH
7.	Casey D. Thompson	Dispatcher Trainee – PD Unit 03 To Dispatcher I Unit 03	911 Emergency Response 30.0 hrs/wk To 911 Emergency Response 40.0 hrs/wk	02/20/16	25.18 PH
8.	Anthony J. Turner	Dispatcher Trainee – PD Unit 03 To Dispatcher I Unit 03	911 Emergency Response 30.0 hrs/wk To 911 Emergency Response 40.0 hrs/wk	02/20/16	25.18 PH

**POSITION CHANGE**

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>DATE*</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
9.	Jeffrey A. Adams	Assistant Printer Unit 03 To Printer I Unit 03	Printing and Reproduction 40.0 hrs/wk To Printing and Reproduction 40.0 hrs/wk	02/22/16	24.37 PH  To 28.19 PH
10.	Stephanie L. Gallagher	Health Clerk Unit 03 To Nutritionist Unit 46	Health 40.0 hrs/wk To Health 40.0 hrs/wk	02/22/16	20.70 PH  To 21.49 PH

**SEPARATIONS**

	<b>NAME</b>	<b>TITLE</b>	<b>DEPARTMENT</b>	<b>DATE*</b>	<b>REMARKS</b>
11.	Rex A. Batemon	Corrections Officer	Main Jail	02/20/16	Separation

12.	Matthew W. Dalessandro	Seasonal Help	General Services	02/04/16	Separation
13.	Angelo J. DiGiorgio	Seasonal Help	Parks Recreation Services	01/21/16	Separation
14.	Richard D. Kegler	Printer I	Printing and Reproduction	02/12/16	Separation
15.	William R. Kreps	Seasonal Help	Parks Recreation Services	02/02/16	Separation
16.	Marie D. McCartney	Corrections Officer	Main Jail	02/08/16	Separation
17.	Sharene M. Salameh	Seasonal Help	Parks Recreation Services	01/20/16	Separation
18.	Amanda C. Thomas	Nutritionist	Health	02/19/16	Separation
19.	Brittany M. Thomas Holmes	Nursing Assistant – PD	NM Nursing Pool	02/02/16	Separation

\*Estimated Date    \*\*Never Started    \*\*\*Agreement    \*\*\*\*Reinstatement

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EXECUTIVE REPORTS

**Brian Hessenthaler, Chief Operating Officer**, reported on the Emergency Management Agency’s efforts to recoup expenses associated with Winter Storm Jonas. County municipalities and other agencies have exceeded the threshold for reimbursement, accounting for nearly \$3.1 million spent during blizzard. The next step is for the State to determine if it reached the \$18 million threshold for the combined claims of its affected counties. He noted that 11 to 12 municipalities did not report back to County officials. In response to Commissioner Marseglia’s question, Mr. Hessenthaler said it is possible for those municipalities to recoup expenses but it would have increased the overall figure the County reported as well as the State if they had. Commissioner Marseglia suggested that municipal reporting for this type of situation be set up for next year.

**Lynn T. Bush, Chief Clerk**, reported that Perkasio Park was granted historic designation from the State due to recent efforts by the Commissioners and other advocates. She noted that Perkasio Park is a camp meeting site that dates back to the late 19<sup>th</sup> century.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next public meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, March 2, 2016, at 10:00 a.m. in the Commissioners’ Meeting Room of the Bucks County Administration Building.

ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Loughery adjourned the meeting at 10:35 a.m.

Approved: March 2, 2016

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BY:

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Robert G. Loughery  
*Chairman*

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Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia  
*Commissioner*

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Lynn T. Bush, *Chief Clerk*