

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

February 15, 2017

The Regular Meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners was held this day at 10:00 am, at the Bucks County Commissioners’ Meeting Room, 55 E. Court Street, Doylestown, Pennsylvania. In attendance were Commissioner Charles H. Martin, Chairman; Commissioner Robert G. Loughery, Vice Chairman; and Commissioner Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia. Chairman Martin opened the meeting with a moment of silence, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATIONS

None

PUBLIC COMMENT – Agenda Items

None

OLD BUSINESS

Upon motion of Commissioner Loughery, seconded by Commissioner Martin, with the vote being 3-0, the minutes for the regular meeting of February 1, 2017 were approved.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Martin read through the agenda, providing clarification and addressing questions and comments.

Item 5a - General Services Director Kevin Spencer responded to Commissioner Martin’s question regarding the cost of the inspection services. An extensive discussion followed with Mr. Spencer answering additional questions from the Commissioners. This included providing information on Penn DOT’s requirements for TIP funded bridges and the selection process for construction inspections.

Item 5c - Mr. Spencer responded to Commissioner Loughery’s questions concerning the age of the current roof and the funding for its replacement.

Item 9b - Human Services Director Jon Rubin responded to Commissioner Marseglia’s question and advised that he had visited the center and felt it was a positive program.

Item 10a - At Commissioner Martin’s request, Chief Information Officer Don Jacobs provided clarification on what is included in this contract.

RESOLUTIONS

Upon motion of Commissioner Marseglia, seconded by Commissioner Loughery, with the vote being 3-0, the following Resolutions were approved by the BUCKS COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:

<u>DEPARTMENT</u>	<u>WITH</u>	<u>PURPOSE</u>	<u>AMOUNT</u>
1. AREA AGENCY ON AGING	a. Bristol Borough Area Active Adult Center Bristol, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide senior center services. 7/1/16 – 6/30/17	\$62,117** (County 10%)
2. CORRECTIONS	a. Debra Schad Erwinna, PA	Approve contract to provide yoga instruction. 1/1/17 – 12/31/17	\$2,860** (County 0%)
	b. Glenn Matis Doylestown, PA	Approve contract for chaplain to provide services. 1/1/17 – 12/31/17	\$3,500** (County 0%)
	c. Patricia Doyle Price Doylestown, PA	Approve contract to provide anger management services. 1/1/17 – 12/31/17	\$9,374** (County 0%)
3. COURTS	a. Conflict Counsel Elissa B. Heinrichs	Approve contract termination. 3/1/17 – 12/31/17	(\$29,898.40)
	b. Conflict Counsel Dean H. Malik	Approve contract with private attorney to represent individual defendants in cases when there is a conflict of interest with the Bucks County Public Defender’s Office. 3/1/17 – 12/31/17	\$29,898.40* (County 100%)

4.	DISTRICT ATTORNEY	a. Bernice A. Marcopulos, PhD. ABPP Crozet, VA	Approve contract to provide expert witness services. 1/1/17 – 12/31/17	\$50,000** (County 100%)
5.	GENERAL SERVICES	a. JBC Associates, Inc. King of Prussia, PA	Approve contract to provide on-site construction inspection services for reconstruction of Bucks County Bridge #45 on Stone Bridge Road over Deep Run in Bedminster Township.	\$137,159.48 (County 20%)
		b. MFord, LLC Perkasie, PA	Approve temporary construction easement for repair of Bucks County Bridge #13 on Walnut Street over East Perkiomen Creek in Perkasie Borough. TMP 33-10-146	\$500 (County 100%)
		c. Munn Roofing Corp. Hatfield, PA	Approve contract to replace roof of Thiokol Building.	\$357,810* (County 100%)
		d. PennDot Engineering District 6-0 Harrisburg, PA	Approve signature authority to Director of Operations for the Engineering and Construction Management System (ECMS).	
		e. Southampton Tire & Service, Inc. Southampton, PA	Approve contract to purchase tires for county fleet. 2/15/17 – 11/30/18	\$45,000** (County 100%)
6.	HEALTH	a. Fatima Catholic Outreach Center Bensalem, PA	Approve Memorandum of Understanding for the Health Department's use of space for WIC clinic. 12/31/16 – 12/31/17	\$1 (County 100%)
7.	HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT	a. Bucks County Housing Group Ivyland, PA	Approve contract increase to provide housing counseling services. 7/1/15 – 12/31/16	\$1,750** (County 100%)
		b. Bucks County Housing Group Ivyland, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide housing counseling services. 1/1/17 – 12/31/17	\$78,750** (County 100%)
		c. U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Philadelphia, PA	Approve grant renewal for Homeless Management Information System. 1/1/17 – 12/31/17	\$103,023 (Revenue)
		d. U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Philadelphia, PA	Approve grant agreement for Continuum of Care to plan and monitor housing programs. 1/1/17 – 1/16/18	\$41,549 (Revenue)
8.	HUMAN RESOURCES	a.	Approve revisions to Human Resources Handbook for non-union county employees.	
		b. Bucks County Correctional Facility Doylestown, PA	Approve dissolution of current Memorandum of Understanding with 19 Lieutenants and Captains, effective 12/31/16	
9.	HUMAN SERVICES	a. Bucks County Drug & Alcohol Commission, Inc. Warminster, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide outpatient intervention and treatment services. 7/1/16 – 6/30/17	\$33,000** (County 4.1%)
		b. Family Unity Center Bristol, PA	Approve contract to provide students with an after school program to promote academic and social success. 1/1/17 – 6/30/17	\$5,000** (County 4.1%)
10.	INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	a. Level 3 Communications Herndon, VA	Approve contract increase and extension to provide improved internet connectivity, security, and speed. 8/1/19 – 7/31/22	\$1,243,108.35* (County 100%)

11. MH/DP	a. Clarke Pennsylvania, Inc. Bryn Mawr, PA	Approve contract renewal to provide early intervention services. 7/1/16 – 6/30/17	\$10,000** (County 10%)
12. NESHAMINY MANOR	a. American Health Care Services, Inc. Bristol, PA	Approve contract to purchase bariatric briefs. 3/1/17 – 12/31/17	\$43,384* (County 0%)
13. PRINTING	a. XSE Group of PA LLC New Britain, PA	Approve contract for rental of digital color copier. 4/1/17 – 3/31/22	\$61,385* (County 100%)
14. SOLICITOR	a. Dorothy Slaper and Safren & Weinberg, her attorneys Jenkintown, PA	Approve payment in the matter of <u>Slaper v. County of Bucks</u> for settlement of litigation and general release of liability.	\$500 (County 100%)
16. OTHER CIVICS	a. Bucks County Health Improvement Partnership	Approve payment	\$1,000
	David Library of the American Revolution		\$500
	Doylestown Historical Society		\$1,000
	Run the Gates		\$1,200

*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.

BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

None

PERSONNEL

Upon motion of Commissioner Loughery, seconded by Commissioner Marseglia, with the vote being 3-0, the following Personnel Actions were approved:

APPOINTMENTS

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
1.	Charleen R. Donkor J.R. #3324	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 03	NM Nursing Assistants 24.0 hrs/wk	02/21/17	14.46 PH
2.	Natosha F. Stevens J.R. #3327	Restorative Aide – PD Unit 03	NM Nursing Assistants 20.0 hrs/wk	02/21/17	14.46 PH
3.	Michael L. Sulat J.R. #3307	Caseworker Unit 04	Children & Youth 37.5 hrs/wk	03/01/17	23.90 PH
4.	Darra S. Watkins J.R. #3347	Nursing Assistant – Pool Unit 30	NM Nursing Pool 14.0 hrs/wk	02/21/17	21.00 PH

REHIRE

	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
5.	Rebecca L. Karonis J.R. #3383 Sep Date 04/01/14	Registered Nurse – Pool Unit 60	NM Nursing Pool 14.0 hrs/wk	02/21/17	37.00 PH

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	NAME	TITLE	DEPARTMENT	DATE*	REMARKS
6.	Valentina Jean J.R. #3390	Nursing Assistant – Pool Unit 30 To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	NM Nursing Pool 14.0 hrs/wk To NM Nursing Assistants 40.0 hrs/wk	02/18/17	21.00 PH To 19.19 PH
7.	Angela T. Johnson J.R. #3390	Nursing Assistant – Pool Unit 30 To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	NM Nursing Pool 14.0 hrs/wk To NM Nursing Assistants 40.0 hrs/wk	02/18/17	21.00 PH To 19.19 PH
8.	Nadia Joseph Desencios J.R. #3355	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 03 To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	NM Nursing Assistants 24.0 hrs/wk To NM Nursing Assistants 40.0 hrs/wk	02/18/17	14.46 PH To 19.19 PH
9.	Robert J. Miller	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	02/18/17	13.52 PH To 25.18 PH
10.	Jessica Ohm J.R. #3365	Nursing Assistant – PT Unit 03 To Nursing Assistant Unit 03	NM Nursing Assistants 24.0 hrs/wk To NM Nursing Assistants 40.0 hrs/wk	02/18/17	14.46 PH To 19.19 PH

POSITION CHANGE

<i>NAME</i>	<i>TITLE</i>	<i>DEPARTMENT</i>	<i>DATE*</i>	<i>REMARKS</i>
11. Renee L. Quinn	Casework Supervisor Unit 84 To Social Work Supervisor Unit 84	Children & Youth 37.5 hrs/wk To Children & Youth 37.5 hrs/wk	02/16/17	34.21 PH To 35.86 PH

TRANSFER

<i>NAME</i>	<i>TITLE</i>	<i>DEPARTMENT</i>	<i>DATE*</i>	<i>REMARKS</i>
12. Scott R. Kreamer	Corrections Officer Unit 01 To Corrections Officer Unit 01	Main Jail 40.0 hrs/wk To MCCC 40.0 hrs/wk	02/18/17	27.14 PH To 27.14 PH

SALARY ADJUSTMENT

<i>NAME</i>	<i>TITLE</i>	<i>DEPARTMENT</i>	<i>DATE*</i>	<i>REMARKS</i>
13. Janine D. Alexander	Contract Coordinator Unit 00 To Contract Coordinator Unit 00	Purchasing 40.0 hrs/wk To Purchasing 40.0 hrs/wk	02/20/17	50,794.00 PA To 52,894.00 PA

SEPARATIONS

<i>NAME</i>	<i>TITLE</i>	<i>DEPARTMENT</i>	<i>DATE*</i>	<i>REMARKS</i>
14. Carol A. Bamford	MH Program Specialist II	MH DP Admin	03/04/17	Separation
15. Ebony A. Eccles	Caseworker	Children & Youth	02/04/17	Separation
16. Rebecca L. Gall	Dispatcher Trainee – PD	911 Emergency Response	01/23/17	Separation
17. Gail L. Gioia	Registrar - PD	Board of Voter Registration	02/08/17	Separation
18. Eileen W. Heitz	Health Clerk	Health Department	03/03/17	Separation
19. Emily D. Naimo	Registrar – PD	Board of Voter Registration	01/27/17	Separation
20. Eileen M. Rivera	Registered Nurse – Pool	NM Nursing Pool	01/25/17	Separation
21. Susan M. Simononis	Social Worker	Children & Youth	03/13/17	Separation
22. Christopher G. Stieber	Resident Naturalist	Parks Recreation Services	03/03/17	Separation
23. Anna Widhson	Registered Nurse	NM Registered Nurses	03/01/17	Separation
24. Megan I. Zdziera	Social Worker	Children & Youth	03/10/17	Separation

*estimated date **Never Started ***Agreement ****Reinstatement

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Commissioner Martin noted Chris Stieber on the personnel list, advising that he has been a naturalist at the Churchville Nature Center for a very long time and has done a great job. The Commissioner wished him the best in his retirement.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Upon motion of Commissioner Martin, seconded by Chairman Loughery, with the vote being 3-0, the following appointments were approved:

Agricultural Land Preservation Board

Jerry Fuqua Reappointment
Kenneth Goldenberg Reappointment

Bucks County Conference and Visitors Bureau

Dr. Charles Tweedy III New Appointment

Upon motion of Commissioner Loughery, seconded by Commissioner Martin, with the vote being 2-1 with Commissioner Marseglia opposing, the following appointment was approved:

Bucks County Water and Sewer Authority

Richard Weaver Reappointment

Upon motion of Commissioner Loughery, seconded by Commissioner Marseglia with the vote being 3-0, the following appointments were approved:

Bucks County Opportunity Council

Cheryl Schrier New Appointment
Dr. Tobi Bruhn New Appointment

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EXECUTIVE REPORTS

Brian Hessenthaler, Chief Operating Officer, reported on the following:

Drug and Alcohol Program - Since implementing the Narcan program, fifty-seven doses have been distributed and four have been used. District Attorney Matthew Weintraub spoke about the Lower Bucks Addiction Symposium being held at Cairn University to bring awareness of the drug addiction issue and to let people know that there are resources available. He advised that Diane Rosati will be on the panel and Judge Boylan will be moderating it.

Commissioner Marseglia requested that the Commissioners be notified of any future events so they have the opportunity to attend. Mr. Weintraub, the Commissioners, and Human Services Director Jon Rubin all contributed to the extensive conversation that followed regarding the coordination of additional outreach efforts.

Pennsylvania 9-1-1 Advisory Board - Congratulations to Audrey Kenny, Director of Emergency Communications, on her reappointment to the 9-1-1 Advisory Board.

Pennsylvania State Budget - The preliminary state budget has been released for 2017-2018 and appears to be level funding across most lines; no cuts but no increases. The State is looking to combine several departments in a cost saving measure to apply against the \$3 billion structural deficit. Mr. Hessenthaler advised that they will be following this to see how it impacts the County.

Lynn T. Bush, Chief Clerk, reported on the following:

Hazard Mitigation Plan – Ms. Bush provided an update on the Hazard Mitigation Plan, which identifies twenty-one potential hazards that could affect the County. She said it is a good example of the way county departments cooperate and noted that all fifty-four county municipalities are participating. Citing a transportation accident last week on Route 611, Ms. Bush advised that they were able to employ reverse 911 calls to people who might have been impacted.

COMMISSIONER COMMENTS

Commissioner Marseglia thanked everyone for their support during the loss of her father and during the time he was on hospice.

Commissioner Martin advised that there is only one more day to vote for in the Small Business Revolution Contest. Out of five finalists, Bristol Borough is currently in first place.

Commissioner Martin advised that there is a hearing on Emergency Services in Harrisburg on February 21st. Commissioner Marseglia, Emergency Health Services Director Jeryl DeGideo, Dr. Gerald Wydro, and Representative Frank Farry will be attending.

Commissioner Martin expressed thanks to Mr. Hessenthaler and his staff for a great job during the snow emergency last week.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Evan Shingles, an attorney representing Carson Concrete, advised that they were the sub-contractor for Ernest Bock & Sons. He provided some background information and stated that his client still hasn't been paid for their work on the new Justice Center. He indicated that they have filed a lawsuit in the Court of Common Pleas of Philadelphia County. Janesa Urbano, Vice President and General Counsel for Ernest Bock & Sons responded in detail to Mr. Shingles and disputed his claims.

Pam Lynch, a resident of Middletown Township presented information advocating for the preservation of Stone Farm in Middletown Township. Commissioner Martin expressed hope that something can be worked out to preserve the farm and advised that they are following the matter carefully.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next public meeting of the Bucks County Board of Commissioners will be held on Wednesday, March 1, 2017, at 10:00 a.m. in the Bucks County Commissioners' Meeting Room.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion of Commissioner Loughery, seconded by Commissioner Marseglia, the meeting was adjourned.

Approved: March 1, 2017

BUCKS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

BY:

Charles H. Martin
Chairman

Robert G. Loughery
Vice Chairman

Diane M. Ellis-Marseglia
Commissioner

Lynn T. Bush, *Chief Clerk*