

Commissioners' Board Meeting January 10, 2008

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, January 10, 2008, at 10:30 A.M. in the Board meeting room on the thirteenth floor of the Berks County Services Center, pursuant to due notice to Board members and the public.

Commissioner Chair Mark C. Scott called the meeting to order with Commissioner Christian Leinbach and Commissioner Kevin Barnhardt in attendance. Also present were the Chief Clerk Terry L. Styer, County Solicitor Alan Miller, Esq., and County Administrator William E. Dennis.

Commissioner Scott opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Approval of Minutes

Commissioner Barnhardt made a motion that was seconded by Commissioner Leinbach to approve the December 18, 2007 Commissioner workshop minutes and the December 20, 2007 Commissioners meeting minutes as corrected, all voted yes to approve.

Consent Agenda Items

- I. A motion was made by Commissioner Leinbach, seconded by Commissioner Barnhardt, and all voted unanimously to approve the items as listed below:
 - 02.08 A. Resolution authorizing 2007 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$271,693 per listing dated January 4, 2008.
 - 03.08 B. Human Resource Recommendations per list dated January 8, 2008. ****Commissioner Scott asked that Item #2 be removed from the HR Recommendations until that item can be brought to Salary Board.**
 - 04.08 C. Resolution authorizing tax forgiveness for 2007 County taxes for Parcel ID No. 39-5305-09-17-8002 owned by the Governor Mifflin School District in the amount of \$199.03 including all penalties and interest.
 - 05.08 D. Resolution appointing Commissioner Mark Scott to serve as the Commissioner Director for the Berks County Conservation District for a one year term.
 - 06.08 E. Resolution delegating signatory authority to the Executive Director of the Berks County Office of Aging to the State Civil Service Commission.

- 07.08 F. Resolution authorizing appointment of Ronald Williams, Esq. of Fox Rothschild LLP as special counsel to the County of Berks to provide legal review of the Community Corrections project.
2. Motion authorizing execution of Contract Agreements/ Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per listing dated January 4, 2008.

Reports

1. County Treasurer – Nelson Long, CPA read the Treasurer's report.
2. County Controller – Sandy Graffius, Controller, read her report.

Citizen Comment/Business From The Floor

Controller Graffius reported that a \$24,000 water bill stemming from a September leak at the Reading Fairgrounds has been reduced to \$600. (The leak was repaired immediately.)

Brett Habeker of Tilden Township addressed the Board regarding his ongoing disagreement with the Assessment office and the method of assessing his property.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:26 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry L. Styer, Chief Clerk