

Commissioners' Board Meeting October 16, 2008

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, October 16, 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 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 Leinbach made a motion that was seconded by Commissioner Barnhardt to approve the October 7, 2008 Commissioners' Workshop minutes and October 9, 2008 Commissioners' meeting minutes, all voted yes to approve.

Consent Agenda Items

1. A motion was made by Commissioner Barnhardt, seconded by Commissioner Leinbach, and all voted unanimously to approve the items listed below:

Adopt Ordinance 03-08

ORDINANCE OF THE COUNTY OF BERKS AMENDING AND MODIFYING ORDINANCE NO. 5-04 PROVIDING FOR THE RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE USE OF THE BERKS COUNTY PARK SYSTEM AND PROVIDING PENALTIES FOR VIOLATION OF THE SAME

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| 273.08 | A. | Resolution approving a Tower and Lease agreement between the County of Berks and Frosty Towers, Inc. |
| 274.08 | B. | Resolution authorizing 2008 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$10,980 and 2008 Appropriations in the amount \$978,190 per listing dated October 10, 2008. |
| 275.08 | C. | Resolution which authorizes Mark C. Scott, Esq., as Chairman of the Board, to execute FY2008/09 Aging Block Grant Application in the amount of \$7,995,215, and the PDA Waiver program in the amount of \$943,563. |

- 276.08 D. Resolution to Appoint James C. McCarthy, PE, West Lawn, PA, to the Planning Commission to replace Robert Ludgate, Jr. whose term expired on December 31, 2007. This is a 4-year appointment ending December 31, 2011.

Motion authorizing Mark C. Scott, as Chairman of the Board, to execute Contract Agreements/Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per attached listing dated October 10, 2008

Reports:

1. County Treasurer Nelson Long, CPA presented the weekly Treasurer's report.
2. County Administrator Dennis presented the Controller's report.

Commissioners Comments:

Commissioner Leinbach discussed the ESCO (Energy Service Company) contract and suggested that of the eleven companies who have submitted "expressions of interest" the Purchasing Manager is suggesting that three of the eleven be asked to respond to a Request for Proposal to provide a Guaranteed Energy Savings contract for the County facilities. Commissioner Barnhardt seconded the motion and all voted yes to authorize the Purchasing Manager, Kelly Laubach to proceed with the RFP process.

Commissioner Leinbach also suggested the Commissioners consider meeting with Department Heads and Row offices of the County to discuss the impact on the County of Berks' five year budget plan and the current economic crisis has on future spending decisions. The Board instructed Bill Dennis to schedule one or two meeting dates.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:57 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry L. Styer, Chief Clerk