DAUPHIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WORKSHOP MEETING

MAY 29, 2013
10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeff Haste, Chairman
Mike Pries, Vice Chairman
George P. Hartwick, III, Secretary

STAFF PRESENT

Laura E. Evans, Esq., Chief Clerk; Janis Creason, Treasurer; Joseph A. Curcillo, III, Esq., Solicitor; Gary Serhan, Deputy Controller; Bob Sisock, Courts; Catharine Kilgore, District Attorney's Office; Jennifer Storm, Victim Witness; Daniel Rothschild, Commissioners’ Office; Julie Mackey, Commissioners’ Office; Steve Libhart, Director of EMA; Bob Stout, EMA; Kay Lengle, Human Resources; Fred Lighty, Esq., Human Services Director’s Office; Dave Schreiber, Human Resources; Ruby Doub, Commissioners’ Office; Carl Dickson, Director of Parks & Recreation; Donna Miller, Commissioners’ Office; Leila Brown, Solicitor’s Office; August Memmi, Director of Community & Economic Development; Randy Baratucci, Director of Purchasing and Richie-Ann Martz, Assistant Chief Clerk

GUESTS PRESENT

Jeff Frantz, James Roxbury, Eric Epstein, Joe Decembrino and Bob Bamberger

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Haste, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 10:07 a.m.
MOMENT OF SILENCE

Everyone observed a moment of silence.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

There are several sets of meeting minutes that will be considered at next week’s Legislative Meeting.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS HELD BETWEEN MEETINGS

Ms. Evans reported that there was an Executive Session held this morning regarding matters of litigation.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Epstein stated that the County has done a great job with the minutes for the EIT meetings. The meeting dates on the website are for 2012, not 2013. He asked if that could be updated.

There has been a lot of discussion regarding emergency planning after the tanker incident. He gave the Commissioners a copy of the testimony that he gave to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and FEMA on the 10 mile radius. The concern is that children, in the event of an evacuation, are taken right outside the 10 mile zone. It is puzzling because people are taken out 15 to 20 miles away. Fifteen is the normal zone. The Central Dauphin School District has a similar issue with some of their schools that are right outside of the 10 mile zone. This inhibits the ability to evacuate when you have a relocation site right outside of the zone. Traffic will be coming in when it should be going out. There are signs to slow traffic down. You can’t enter an evacuation zone. It is one way out. There was a situation a few years ago where parents were going to the school instead of going to the relocation zone. When the next exercise is done there needs to be relocation centers for kids. There are 74 daycare and nursery schools within 10 miles of the plant. He wanted the Commissioners to visualize what was in the paper. The plans are much better than they were in 1979 and he is working with FEMA and the Nuclear Regulatory Commission. These plans can be used for weather related events. This County is ahead of the curve when it comes to planning. There are still some things that can be done.

Mr. Pries asked Mr. Epstein to get in touch with Mr. Libhart and Mr. Stout.

Mr. Epstein indicated that he did talk with Mr. Libhart prior to the start of the meeting. The Nuclear Regulatory Commission does not like to do anything outside of their
property. There are things that can be done to improve the plan. You can’t anticipate everything.

Mr. Hartwick stated that when he was Mayor of Steelton that was something that was addressed.

Mr. Epstein indicated that it is voluntary. Daycares and nursery centers are going to be using the same transportation vehicles as the schools and that was found to be problematic. They have limited resources. A checklist was provided to these organizations and he doesn’t know if the parents know the plan. They visited the 74 daycares. Some were very good and some were not. No matter how good the plan is there are some parents who will try to enter the school.

Mr. Hartwick asked about the County’s senior centers.

Mr. Epstein stated that is a Department of Public Welfare issue and is not mandated. He will provide a PDF that shows the survey.

**DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS/GUESTS**

A. Catharine Kilgore, District Attorney’s Office

1. IP Grant Modification for the Work Release Center
2. VOJO Grant
   (***A Vote is Requested 5/29/13***)

Ms. Kilgore stated that she has two items for consideration. The first one is the modification to the IP Grant for the Work Release Center. The modification is to move funds for drug testing. This will be used for drug testing for level 3 and 4 Work Release Center residents.

The second item is for Victim/Witness.

Ms. Storm stated that the VOJO Grant is a yearly grant. It used to be a two-year grant cycle. The fund was zeroed out. A lot of lobbying was done to get this funding back. It was put in by the Governor, but at a much lesser amount. This grant is in the amount of $54,188, which allows Victim/Witness to bring a part-time person back to full-time. The goal is to get additional funds. There is a reduction in juvenile crime. Victim Witness served a little over 800 clients. This is the lowest it has been in a long time.

Mr. Haste questioned when the grant is due.

It was moved by Mr. Hartwick and seconded by Mr. Pries that the Board approve the submission of the following PCCD Grants: IP Grant Modification for the Work Release Center and the VOJO Grant.

**Question:** Mr. Haste – Aye; Mr. Pries – Aye and Mr. Hartwick – Aye; motion carried.

**B. Donna Miller, Insurance & Safety Program Administrator**


Ms. Miller indicated that she provided the Commissioners with the 2013/2014 Insurance proposals. With her today is Bob Bamberger, Executive Vice President of Rutherfoord and Joe Decembrino from Murray Insurance Company. Mr. Bamberger will be reviewing the liability, auto and crime lines.

Mr. Bamberger indicated that he is the Executive Vice President. His company has been working with the County since 2005 and is responsible for the excess liability placements for the County, all the casualty lines, as well as the crime insurance. This year he selectively brought in competition. For excess liability, in addition to the incumbent they brought in competition from the CCAP Program, Cobalt, as well as Apex. There were two additional quotes. The recommendation is that the incumbent, States, is still better. The overall reduction in cost is about 3% without any compromise to the coverage. The other marketing effort was relative to crime insurance. This is an area where historically the County has had low deductibles. He knew that an increase was coming. He went out to the marketplace to four additional carriers. Once again, the incumbent carrier, Travelers has stepped up on the pricing. They provided the first $600,000 and then Great American provides $3.4 million for a total $4 million. Overall it was less than a 1% increase.

Mr. Haste stated that the overall premium costs went down.

Mr. Bamberger stated the excess liability went down $14,000. Overall it was a $3,600 increase.

Ms. Miller indicated that Mr. Decembrino will discuss the property insurance.

Mr. Decembrino stated that he is with Murray Insurance and is Vice President of the firm. He was asked to market the property insurance for the County. This year he approached seven carriers including the incumbent, CNA. It is his recommendation that the County continue with CNA. Most of the carriers could not compete with their rate. Based on the records, it is recommended that the County continue its coverage with CNA. There is no reduction in the coverage. The limits were increased because of some new projects, as well as the appraisal that was done last year.
It was moved by Mr. Hartwick and seconded by Mr. Pries that the Board approve the Insurance Proposals for 2013/2014 with Rutherfoord and Murray.

**Question:** Mr. Haste – Aye; Mr. Pries – Aye and Mr. Hartwick – Aye; motion carried.

**HUMAN RESOURCES**

Ms. Lengle asked if there were any questions on the Salary Board Packet and the Personnel Packet. There was none.

Ms. Lengle indicated that there is one change. It is under Personnel Transactions, #25 should be marked as part-time, not full-time.

The Salary Board Packet and Personnel Packet will be considered at next week’s Legislative Meeting.

**PURCHASE ORDERS**

Mr. Baratucci asked if there were any questions on any items in the Purchase Order Packet. There was none. He indicated that the budget adjustments will be addressed prior to next week.

The Purchase Order Packet will be considered at next week’s Legislative Meeting.

Mr. Baratucci also noted that at next week’s meeting he will be asking for consideration of the generator for the Bulk Storage Building. This was rebid from several months ago.

**TRAINING PACKET**

The Training Packet will be considered at next week’s Legislative Meeting.

**ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION**

There was none.

**SOLICITOR’S REPORT – JOSEPH A. CURCILLO, III, ESQ.**

Mr. Curcillo indicated that all the items on the Solicitor’s Office are being reviewed. Four of the items were passed today, but the remaining items will be considered at next week’s Legislative Meeting.
REPORT FROM CHIEF CLERK/CHIEF OF STAFF – LAURA E. EVANS, ESQ.

Ms. Evans reported on the following:

- Wildwood Park reopened a week ago Tuesday.

- Dauphin County has a team of 28 riders for the Tour de Belt, which starts at HACC. Registration closes tomorrow, May 31, 2013.

COMMISSIONERS’ COMMENTS

Mr. Pries congratulated Brandon Johnson who will be leaving the Treasurer’s Office to move on to greener pastures. He took things to a new level. You will be missed. Thank you for your services.

Mr. Hartwick stated that Richard Comiskey was recognized with the Volunteer of the Year Award at the 50+ Expo in Hershey. For the past 12 years he has dedicated his life to helping others. May 28th was Mr. Comiskey Day in Dauphin County.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Epstein indicated that he had some questions. When Mr. Bamberger used the term “selectively” chose competition, is that a RFP.

Mr. Pries mentioned that it was done through CCAP.

Mr. Bamberger indicated that insurance carriers were identified that have the financial standing and appetite to take some risk.

Mr. Epstein asked if that was different than a RFP.

Mr. Bamberger indicated that it was.

Mr. Epstein asked what does appetite mean.

Mr. Bamberger stated that you like the program or you don’t.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Hartwick and seconded by Mr. Pries that the Board adjourn.

Transcribed by: Richie-Ann Martz