DAUPHIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WORKSHOP MEETING

APRIL 30, 2014
10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF PRESENT

Chad Saylor, Chief Clerk; Joseph A. Curcillo, III, Esq., Solicitor; Deb Freeman, Acting Court Administrator; Catharine Kilgore, District Attorney’s Office; Randy Baratucci, Director of Purchasing; Steve Libhart, Director of EMA; Fred Lighty, Esq., Solicitor’s Office; J. Scott Burford, Deputy Chief Clerk; Laura Motter, Law Librarian; Leila Brown, Solicitor’s Office; Amy Harinath, Press Secretary; Kay Lengle, Human Resources; August Memmi, Director of Community & Economic Development; Melody Osborn, Commissioners’ Office and Richie-Ann Martz, Assistant Chief Clerk

GUESTS PRESENT

Elizabeth Simcox, Sandy Ballard, John Sheridan, Linda Burkley and Barb Miller

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Haste, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 10:08 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

Mr. Saylor reported that there were no Executive Sessions held between meetings.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS/GUESTS

A. Dauphin County Commissioners
   1. Dauphin County Bar Association – Award Presentation on Dauphin County Courthouse Self-Help Center

Mr. Sheridan stated that he was unaware of the Self-Help Desk until January. It is a great service. This week is Law Week. On May 1, 2014 the Association celebrates Law Day. It starts with a celebration over at Strawberry Square. They have “Ask a Lawyer” all week long. There are eight to ten attorneys there every day from 11:30 to 1:30 giving out free legal advice to the community. Tomorrow there will also be a breakfast at the Hilton. He invited the Commissioners to attend. The Association gives out the Liberty Bell Award. The Liberty Bell Award is presented annually to either a local citizen or organization in recognition of their contribution to building a better understanding and respect for the law and any outstanding commitment to civic responsibility. That award is being presented to the Self-Help Desk at the Dauphin County Courthouse.

Mr. Haste thanked the Association for the award.

(Pictures were taken.)

HUMAN RESOURCES

Ms. Lengle asked if there were any questions. There was none. The Salary Board and Personnel Packets will be considered at next week’s Legislative Meeting.
PURCHASE ORDERS

Mr. Baratucci asked if the Board has any questions regarding the Purchase Order Packet. There are a few budget adjustments that need to be made. There were no questions. The Purchase Order Packet will be considered at next week’s Legislative Meeting.

TRAINING PACKET

Mr. Saylor indicated that Item #15 requires a vote.

It was moved by Mr. Pries and seconded by Mr. Hartwick that the Board approve Item #15 of the Training Packet.

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

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

A. Training Agreement between Dauphin County and the University of Cincinnati Research Institute – Ohio Risk Assessment System (ORAS). (**A Vote is Required 4/30/14**)

Ms. Kilgore indicated that this contract agreement is to complete the train the trainer component. The last two dates had to be cancelled due to a snow storm. This is to finish the training. The amount of the agreement is $5,000. Some of the money is coming from the table gaming monies and some of it is coming from Probation.

Mr. Haste stated that this is something that the County has been working on for quite a while. It will greatly improve our criminal justice system.

Ms. Kilgore stated that it will contribute. It is simply the contract. There is nothing different from the first one except the amount.

It was moved by Mr. Hartwick and seconded by Mr. Pries that the Board approve the Training Agreement between Dauphin County and the University of Cincinnati Research Institute – Ohio Risk Assessment System (ORAS).

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

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

Mr. Curcillo stated that Item #11 on the Solicitor’s Office was just approved. The remaining 20 items will be ready for consideration at next week’s Legislative Meeting.
CHIEF CLERK’S REPORT – CHAD SAYLOR

Mr. Saylor indicated that a survey was sent to those that attended the State of the County Event. Amy is still collecting them. There were a lot of positive comments. The most liked remarks were mine. That is the only thing I have to report unless there are any questions.

COMMISSIONERS’ COMMENTS

Mr. Hartwick stated that tomorrow night the first, in a series, of prescription drug summits for parents, kids and communities. It is to heighten the awareness of the epidemic that is spiraling out of control. This was discussed last week. This topic can’t be brought to light enough. Over the weekend there was another overdose death. It is continuing to be something that has plagued the hospital rooms. This summit will educate folks on what to look for, how they can be engaged and what services can be provided and where they turn for help. There will be some high level officials from the White House that are going to be at the summit. It has become one of the leading causes of death in 12 states. The summit will be held at the Lower Paxton Township Municipal Building at 6:00 p.m.

Mr. Pries thanked Commissioner Hartwick for his leadership on that topic. He congratulated the staff and everyone who attended the State of the County dinner last week. It was real success. Everyone that attended enjoyed what the Board had to say.

Mr. Libhart is meeting today with the SouthCentral Caucus of the Legislative Delegation to talk about the 9-1-1 legislation issue.

He formally recognized a former colleague of his is in the audience – Sandy Ballard, Derry Township Supervisor and member and employee of the Bar Association. He thanked Sandy for all her leadership and all she is doing for the residents in Derry Township.

Mr. Haste stated that Mr. Libhart will be busy with the weather. A transformer was hit and the Prison was on lockdown. They did not have normal power, although the backup generator was working. All essential operations could be performed.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Hartwick and seconded by Mr. Pries that the Board adjourn; motion carried.
Transcribed by: Richie-Ann Martz