DAUPHIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WORKSHOP MEETING

JUNE 24, 2015
10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF PRESENT

Chad Saylor, Chief Clerk; Marie E. Rebuck, Controller; Janis Creason, Treasurer; Joseph A. Curcillo, III, Esq., Solicitor; Randy Baratucci, Director of Purchasing; Mike Yohe, Director of Budget & Finance; Gerald Feaser, Jr., Director of Registration & Elections; August Memmi, Director of Community & Economic Development; Randie Yeager, Director of Human Services; Kay Lengle, Human Resources; George Connor, Community & Economic Development; Fred Lighty, Esq., Solicitor’s Office; Amy Harinath, Press Secretary; Daniel Schramm, Solicitor’s Office; J. Scott Burford, Deputy Chief Clerk; Stacey Glickman, Controller’s Office; Greg Schneider, Budget & Finance; Melody Osborn, Commissioners’ Office; Ruby Doub, Commissioners’ Office; James Bruno, Commissioners’ Office and Richie-Ann Martz, Assistant Chief Clerk

GUESTS PRESENT

Karl Singleton, Leah Eppinger, James Roxbury, Barb Miller, Julie Mattera, WHP, WHTM, Kendra Drawbaugh, Trevor Drawbaugh, Michael Drawbaugh, Julie Seeds and Dominic D. DiFrancesco, II

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Haste, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 10:13 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 is one set 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. Presentation of Proclamation – Trevor Drawbaugh – Eagle Scout

Mr. Haste stated that it is his pleasure to call forward a distinguished young man, Eagle Scout Trevor Drawbaugh. As an Eagle Scout himself, he understands the challenges that face Trevor. He was ready to be an Eagle Scout a long time before he finally got Eagle. Too many things got in his way and at the last minute he had to hurry up and get things done to get his Eagle Award. Hopefully Trevor was a little more disciplined than he was. It is a great honor to attain the rank of Eagle. As you travel through the rest of your life that is like a fraternity that you join. Wherever you go you have a common bond with someone who has attained the same rank that you have. Trevor, not only did he do his project, he did it with gusto. Mr. Haste stopped to see the project and he indicated that it is quite impressive. Trevor raised $29,000 for a Veterans Memorial in the Borough of Dauphin. There is a stone monument there. It honors all the local veterans of all the branches in the military. Trevor found a vendor that was cheaper than the initial $35,000 that he had estimated to do the project. He got value for it. The funds were donated to the Historical Society of Dauphin/Middle Paxton. He was able to put this lasting memorial to those who have sacrificed and given this country the ultimate. In recognition of that, the Commissioners are going to make a $500 contribution. They will buy a brick in honor of what Trevor has done.
Mr. Haste read the following Proclamation:

**Office of County Commissioners**
**Dauphin County, Pennsylvania**

**Proclamation**

*We*, the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners, take great pride and pleasure in joining the countless friends, family members, fellow Boy Scouts and community leaders in congratulating Trevor Drawbaugh for attaining the esteemed rank of Eagle Scout, the Boy Scouts’ highest honor, and for raising an impressive $29,000 to erect a veterans memorial in Dauphin Borough;

*Whereas*, this young man has been a stellar role model for other young persons, a vital member of Boy Scout Troop 233 and a hard-working community volunteer;

*Whereas*, his Eagle Scout project memorializing the service and sacrifice of all local veterans is a testament to his selfless commitment to enriching the lives of others and giving back to his community;

*Whereas*, this Board of Commissioners is always delighted to recognize achievement and excellence in our young people, who are our best and brightest hope for the future;

*Whereas*, Trevor, son of Mike and Kendra Drawbaugh, exemplifies the finest of American ideals and embodies the spirit of the American eagle;

*Therefore*, we join the 270,000 residents of Dauphin County in commending and congratulating this outstanding young man as he achieved the prestigious rank of Eagle Scout and in commemorating June 24, 2015 as “Trevor Drawbaugh Day” in Dauphin County; we salute his commitment to our country and county and wish him continued success in his many endeavors, for he promises to soar to great heights.

(Applause was given.)

Mr. Pries stated that Trevor is a role model, not just with his peers, but through his community. Trevor got the project done and it is amazing. The ceremony took place on Armed Forces Day, which he knows is very close and near and dear to Trevor’s heart as he will be leaving for Paris Island on October 5th. Trevor will be in the class right after his son, Carter, graduates. Carter is there right now and he graduates on September 11th. Trevor is a great young man and a role model. The country will be in great shape with having a young man like Trevor out there working for us in the future. Mr. Pries is proud of Trevor, as he knows his parents, brother and sister, and family are as well.

Mr. Hartwick stated that it is one of the honors of the job to be able to actually point out what is right. The Board hears a lot about what is wrong with individuals who don’t want to get involved and engaged. They don’t understand the values of freedom and the principles by which they were fought for and given the ultimate sacrifice for. The idea of commitment – the Board is grateful for the many volunteers that it has, but the County really lacks the younger civic individuals who want to get engaged and involved to really make a difference. It is always great to be able to point out what is right. Trevor is certainly someone who has that kind of character. It obviously comes from home. To have something that is going to be lasting in the community where he was raised, to be able to honor heroes who have been able to continue to allow us to have the freedoms
that we have is a great tribute to those individuals, but to the people that have raised you and the sense of community, family and God and the idea of getting those things accomplished. There are a couple types of people in the world – those who just complain about what is going on, those who wonder what the hell is going on and those who make things happen. Trevor is one that has stepped up and will make things happen. He is going to do it with his service in the military. The Board looks forward to hopefully Trevor coming back to Dauphin County and providing that kind of leadership in the community and beyond related to all the experiences and the actions that he has provided. The Board is proud of Trevor and it is an honor to be able to declare today as Trevor’s day. He thanked him for his service to the country.

Mr. Drawbaugh thanked the Commissioners for the opportunity to even do this kind of project in a great county like Dauphin. He has been living in Dauphin ever since he was in second grade. To be able to give back to the community is outstanding and also to give back to the veterans is even more outstanding. He thanked the Commissioners for giving him the opportunity to come here today. He also thanked the Board for their kind words and award.

(Applause was given and pictures were taken.)

B. George Connor, Economic Development

1. HUD Finalists – National Disaster Resilience Competition

Mr. Connor stated that on June 22, 2015, Commissioner Haste received a letter from HUD stating that Dauphin County has been successful in Phase 1 of the National Disaster Resilience Competition (NDRC). The County has been invited to participate in Phase 2 of the NDRC program. Phase 2 gives the applicants the opportunity to propose projects designed to enhance disaster resilience within the communities. Dauphin County’s invitation to compete is based on a review of the application submitted in response to the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). On March 27, 2015, Dauphin County submitted the Phase 1 application with its proposed approach. Phase 2 implementation is different than Phase 1. HUD’s approach to factor ratings with Phase 2 responses will include fully articulated resilience-enhancing disaster recovery or revitalization projects or programs addressing the Phase 1 general framing of the actual projects. If the jurisdiction’s Phase 2 application includes activities that are not expected to be completed within 24 months of the effective date of the grant agreement with HUD, the County is expected to include a waiver. HUD mentioned that Dauphin County’s success in Phase 1 was a testament to Dauphin County’s hard work and soundness of approach to protecting people and property from future harm. Mr. Connor and his office will be working on the Phase 2 application all summer long and will submit the application on October 16, 2015. The awards for Phase 2 will be announced in late December, 2015. Right now, Dauphin County is the only county in Pennsylvania that will be eligible to submit for this grant program.
Mr. Haste stated that Dauphin County is the only entity in the State of Pennsylvania. The PA Department of Community & Economic Development was not in the final selection.

Mr. Connor stated that the PA Department of Community & Economic Development partnered with Luzerne County. Dauphin County made it into Phase 2. The County will do whatever it can to be successful in the second phase of the application request.

Mr. Haste stated that this is a real testament to the County’s partners in the municipalities. If the municipalities didn’t step forward and put together the plan, he is not sure the Feds would have looked at it in the same way. This is a collective effort, not only on the County government’s part, but also every one of the municipalities that participated.

Mr. Connor stated that some of the things that the Board did affected the rating for Phase 2, which was the Community Rating System (CRS) program. CRS is a program that is from FEMA. Basically it reduces flood insurance rates for residents in Dauphin County. That was one of the most positive things.

Mr. Pries stated that Dauphin County has been chosen to go into Phase 2. He asked how many potential phases will there be.

Mr. Connor indicated that Phase 2 is the last phase. There were 67 total applicants that were eligible to apply. Dauphin County was one of three in the State of Pennsylvania. There are now only 40 applicants that made it through to Phase 2.

Mr. Pries stated that this was out of a pool of how much.

Mr. Connor stated that it is a $1 billion dollar grant with a $500 million max award, with a minimum of $1 million award.

Mr. Pries asked what some of the other jurisdictions are across the country.

Mr. Connor stated that the jurisdictions are Alaska, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Illinois, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, Montana, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, Oklahoma, Oregon, Tennessee, Texas, Utah, Virginia, Washington and West Virginia. The counties that are still left are Cook County, Illinois; DuPage County, Illinois; Jefferson Parrish, Louisiana; Saint Tammany Parrish, Louisiana; Dauphin County, Pennsylvania and Shelby County, Tennessee. The cities are Tuscaloosa, Alabama; Chicago, New Orleans, Springfield, New York and Monroe of Oklahoma.

Mr. Pries stated that puts Dauphin County in there with some heavy competition. Everyone is aware of what has occurred in Louisiana and Alabama. The fact that Dauphin County is being considered for Phase 2 is quite an honor. He thanked everyone that was involved in putting this together to make it happen.
Mr. Connor stated that it is not about his department. It is about the residents that were affected from the natural disasters. He is very passionate about this program. He shed some tears when he found out that Dauphin County made it to Phase 2. It is really going to affect people that are in need.

Mr. Hartwick thanked all of those individuals who have been involved with the planning portion, Tetra Tech and colleagues. He had the opportunity to testify about two weeks ago in Philadelphia with the National Director of FEMA, the State Director of PEMA, as well as the Fire Chief of the City of Philadelphia related to planning and how one addresses future natural disasters, what it means to the insurance industry and what it means to the resilience of communities. Folks have looked to the leadership that was provided as to how the County plans to address these issues. It cannot be done without significant Federal dollars and State commitment to do real mitigation. This offers an opportunity to do that for municipalities within this County that are going to be directly affected. He looks forward to the application process and what the County will be applying for as it gets down to the real nuts and bolts of projects and what will really affect and hopefully provide significant relief, because the Biggert Waters Act has posed the most significant challenge to the State of Pennsylvania, but it also continues to pose that threat, because the County has only been offered a temporary reprieve and the actual burden of the deficit continues to grow from the Federal government side. They are looking to counties to be creative and to really step up and talk about how we can mitigate future natural disasters. They are not going to continue to go down the same road of subsidies from the Federal side, doing business the same way. They cannot continue to do that. They also cannot affect homeowners in a way that is going to devastate all local jurisdictions, municipalities and tax bases. The County wants to think big on this. It is the partnerships that will put the County in a position to have a significant opportunity to change the way the County faces natural disasters in this County. Kudos to the Economic Development Office and all those that have been involved in submitting the formal portion of this application. Job well done!

Mr. Connor stated that they have identified 57 total projects in Dauphin County right now with a funding amount of $197,932,666. Those projects: Middletown Borough-electric substation relocation; Londonderry-park stormwater improvements; Lower Swatara-sanitary sewer reconstruction. Some people don’t realize the benefit of having sewer and water, but when it is taken away from you that is when you really realize how much you depend on those services. Steelton-combined sewer separation; City of Harrisburg-Capital Regional Water sewer inspection and rehabilitation; Susquehanna Township-sanitary sewer improvements; Derry Township-drainage improvements along HersheyPark Drive. The large project for the County is the Dauphin County Wildwood Lake dredging - $15 million. That is something that will affect the County’s approach in Phase 2. A lot of the flooding comes from Wildwood Lake. If that is corrected, it could stop a lot of flooding on the back side. He commended Chad Saylor and Skip Memmi for their work involved in this process.
Mr. Haste indicated that the County needs to be very creative. He would rather do stream relocation than relocate towns or residents.

Mr. Connor stated that there is a modeling system that basically goes in and shows the flooding in the future, if the river is 25 feet or whatever, you can tell exactly where the flooding areas of disaster will be and where you need to mitigate some of the damage.

Mr. Hartwick stated that with the $197 million in applications, does the County have a chance to amend or add to those.

Mr. Connor stated that is correct.

Mr. Hartwick stated that the idea of planning really starts with this announcement. Real mitigation is the only way the County is going to reduce the risk and future insurance costs for residents and tax liability.

Mr. Connor stated that all these projects listed, this is where the rubber meets the road. These projects will have to submit the engineering reports, budget reports and everything so it can be quantified in Phase 2. The County has $1 million so it can pay for any soft costs that occur.

C. Mike Yohe, Director of Budget & Finance

1. Adoption of the 2015/2016 Fiscal Year Budget

Mr. Yohe stated that today is the day advertised to approve the 2015/2016 Fiscal Year Budget. The budget has been on the table since June 3 for the public inspection period. The only change to the report was in Children & Youth. Children & Youth was tasked with revisiting and working on reducing the County’s share portion of their budget, which they were successful. They reduced it by a little over $500,000. He provided the Commissioners with a final Budget. There are eight agencies that run on a fiscal year basis (July to June) to correspond with the State Fiscal Year, where they get most of their funding. The only change from three weeks ago is the Children & Youth totals.

It was moved by Mr. Hartwick and seconded by Mr. Pries that the Board adopt the 2015/2016 Fiscal Year Budget.

Discussion:

Mr. Hartwick stated that there is an issue that has been going on statewide that is not just Dauphin County specific, but something that is critically important to discuss. Dauphin County is no different than the State when you look at the number of individuals who are going into the profession of child welfare. Dauphin County has had a significant number of vacancies. They have heard of some of the challenges that have existed. There is a record rate of vacancies across the Commonwealth when you are talking about individual caseworkers who are required to come out of a college,
many times with a Master’s Degree, starting out at a salary of $32,000 that face issues of complex medical issues, caseloads that are increased beyond capacity, student loans to repay, criminal liability in some cases and the high stress level of the job. There is a difficult time finding qualified professionals to be able to continue to operate in the area of Children & Youth Services. Dauphin County has significant challenges making sure that it is meeting the increased demand that is occurring as a result of the child protection service legislation. There are issues with training. It is almost five months until you are able to get a new caseworker certified, background clearances that are needed and to be able to assign them their first case. It is not like when turnover occurs, it is a really easy solution. There is a statewide discussion that he has been asked to be a part of that is taking a look at starting salaries for these professionals. The high rate of turnover, vacancy rate and the inability to fill these positions in a timely manner that allows counties to meet the demand that has been placed through the new child protection service legislation is difficult. Counties need to understand what some of these significant issues are related to filling these positions and the record number of people, not just in Dauphin County, but take a look statewide of folks that are leaving this profession in record numbers. Dauphin County is facing those concerns. It is probably one of the highest stressed and most important job that can be done in any level of county government—the protection of children. These caseworkers now face significant exposure, criminally, very low salaries, repayment of student loans and people who get into this field have a higher commitment than just salary, but when they start to take a look at what this means to their family and what it means related to their future, the idea of trying to recruit, retain and keep employees in a job that is exceedingly more stressful and demanding has been a significant challenge, not only here in Dauphin County, but statewide. They have been examining proposals that are from a statewide perspective trying to get a larger reimbursement rate for individuals who are going to be needed as a result of the increase in demand and calls. Caseload minimums are 30. There are individuals exceeding that and a staff complement that continues to be strained with vacancies. There is another side to this issue, one that they are trying to work through, but one that doesn’t have any easy answers. The idea of recruiting and working with colleges to find individuals who want to move into this career, understanding the exposure, the stress level— he talked to his friends in Allegheny, Luzerne, Northumberland and York, there are folks leaving this profession in record numbers. They are burned out. They talked about exceeding last year’s amount of about $1.5 million, which is significant. He expects to have some real dialogue with the State with these changes to be able to ensure that the County has quality people, individuals who are willing to serve in this capacity and the ability not to just point fingers, but to also provide a level of support to be able to allow them to do the most critical function of the job. Cases are up statewide. There is a huge issue related to vacancy rates. It is a real challenge. There is nothing more important than child safety.

Mr. Yohe stated that this budget does include four new caseworker positions.

Mr. Haste stated that after going through the meetings he was contemplating voting against this budget. He is now going to vote for the budget even though it is very reluctantly and the only reason he is doing it is because he really didn’t want to penalize
the workers that work really hard or the children that the County serves, but he would be remiss if he didn’t express his frustration on the whole situation. He has been saying for six or seven months at CCAP Board meetings and other places, if there was one issue that was going to blow up this year it’s children and youth, between the State and counties. The frustration level at the counties is getting higher and higher, because of what pressure is being put on by the State and in some cases unduly. In talking with county folks, the child protection referrals are up almost 100% this year over what they were last year, largely because of the legislative and administrative reaction to the Sandusky situation. It increased those that are mandated to report what they think may be a child protection issue. When that happens, county folks take it seriously. Counties do not see a single dime extra to handle this. This is his frustration with the way State government handles its partners in this, meaning counties, because of the efficiencies that this county has been able to do over the last couple of years. If you look at past budgets, county folks have been very efficient and effective, but because of those efficiencies this year as the caseload has increased the State chose to cut Dauphin County by $1.8 million dollars, because they go back on past numbers. They realized the County was efficient so in a year that there is a higher demand than in prior years, the State has decided to cut the County by $1.8 million. Commissioner Hartwick and others have had these discussions. The answer is well the State may give the County the money in the future. The County may not need it then. The need is now. The State is not flexible enough and at times he doesn’t believe they know what goes on at county levels. The frustration is growing across the State. When he was deciding to vote against the budget, it was because of the frustration with the system. With the State increasing the number of people that are required to report, that being put onto the counties with no additional dollars and in Dauphin County’s situation with dollars being cut that is a huge unfunded mandate. He doesn’t know how they can sit up there and feel comfortable knowing that there is uptick because of actions they have taken in requiring additional folks to report. They knew that would be additional work and they turn around and cut the County $1.8 million. It is horrible.

Mr. Pries stated that there are four new caseworkers in this budget. He asked how many openings are there in the department.

Ms. Yeager indicated that there are 10.

Mr. Pries stated so 14 new people are needed to start providing those services.

Mr. Hartwick stated that other positions may be opening soon.

Mr. Pries asked if Ms. Yeager is confident that the County will be able to get people onboard ASAP.

Ms. Yeager stated that they started interviewing people yesterday for the 10 current vacancies. They anticipate filling those very quickly. They do need additional staff to handle the volume and that is why they are requesting four additional positions.
Mr. Pries asked if she is getting a good number from the pool.

Ms. Yeager stated that there are approximately 16 or 18 applicants for these current 10 positions. They will repost immediately after filling them.

Mr. Hartwick stated that he asked Ms. Yeager several things: the ability for the County to take a look at individuals who are currently certified and have all child clearances and the ability to come to work immediately, folks who might have worked in child protective services in surrounding counties and to try to ask for a waiver through the merit base hire process to get folks in now. This is critical and important. There is nothing more important than figuring out a way to make sure the County has staff to respond to incidents of child protection. When you don’t have the bodies and you have the increased demand, it puts kids at more risk. She is looking at other potential waivers for the County to avoid the 90-day waiting period. They are looking for every creative solution related to trying to staff the agency in a way that provides a full complement to be able to deal with these issues, but when you have new caseworkers coming in it takes five months until they are able to get their first case. They are only going to get a case or two. They need to be shadowed and mentored and be provided training before they can take on a sufficient caseload. The County needs folks who are qualified and who are willing and able to meet all the qualifications that the State and Federal government requires in order to take on additional caseloads. The County is considerably overburdened from a caseload perspective.

Mr. Pries asked if the 10 current vacancies are recent vacancies.

Ms. Yeager indicated that they are recent as in the last eight weeks.

Mr. Haste stated that is a problem statewide. He knows that Commissioner Hartwick has been trying to fill some key positions. Mr. Haste started asking colleagues at the last board meeting—counties are seeing a lack of folks applying for these positions, because the perception is the system is looking for scapegoats in these cases and too many of these workers aren’t getting the pay and it is not worth them to come in and be the system’s scapegoat. This is a major issue that is coming to a crossroads between the State and counties.

Mr. Hartwick stated most importantly it puts kids at risk. There should be no time that you don’t adequately support the level of funding that is necessary to meet the level of risk. In order to meet that demand, counties have to have the staff and the ability to find the competent staff to be able to do it. Statewide vacancy rates are at an all-time high. This is not a unique problem to Dauphin County. It is a crisis that is going on.

**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.)

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

PURCHASE ORDERS

Mr. Baratucci stated that there are a few budget adjustments that will have to be made prior to next week. He asked if there were any questions. (There was none.)

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

Rejection of Bids – Fort Hunter Service Station & Heckton Church Adaptive Reuse

Mr. Baratucci stated that the Board should have received a letter from Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc. regarding a bid that was opened last week for Fort Hunter Service Station & Heckton Church Adaptive Reuse. Only one bid was received. The bid was higher than what was budgeted. A discussion was held and it was decided that the project should be rebid. If it is done later in the year, additional bids may be received.

Mr. Haste indicated that may be broken down into a couple of bids.

It was moved by Mr. Pries and seconded by Mr. Hartwick that the Board reject the bid received for the Fort Hunter Service Station & Heckton Church Adaptive Reuse Project.

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

TRAINING PACKET

It was moved by Mr. Hartwick and seconded by Mr. Pries that the Board approve the following Training Requests: #4, #6, #15, #17 and #18.

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

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Mr. Haste indicated that there is an additional item to be added to those that are already listed on the Agenda.
Mr. Curcillo stated that he has Item I to add to the Agenda. It is for the Federal JAG Program. One is with the City of Harrisburg and the other is with Swatara Township.

A. Resolution #23-2015 - Stepping Up Initiative to Reduce the number of people with Mental Illnesses in Jails.  **(A Vote is Requested 6/24/15)**

B. Federal-Aid Supplemental Reimbursement Agreement for Utilities, Right-of-Way and Construction between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Dauphin County for Dauphin County Bridge #32 (Duke Street Bridge) Replacement.  **(A Vote is Requested 6/24/15)**

C. Submission of Environmental reviews for Activities/Projects that are exempt or categorically excluded not subject to Section 58.5 to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development:  **(A Vote is Requested 6/24/15)**

   1. Administration
   2. Debt Service
   3. Design and Inspection – Essex House
   4. Essex House
   5. Management Improvements

D. Submission of Environmental Reviews for Activities/Projects that are categorically excluded subject to Section 58.5 to the U.S. Department of Housing & Urban Development:  **(A Vote is Requested 6/24/15)**

   1. Steelton Family Housing
   2. Highspire Apartment
   3. Essex House
   4. Cole Crest Family/Elderly Housing

E. Tourism Grant Application for the National Civil War Museum - $16,458.00.  **(A Vote is Requested 6/24/15)**

F. Agreement (Contract No. 08A404) between Dauphin County and PPL Electric Utilities Corporation for the relocation/adjustment of certain facilities related to the construction of the Duke Street Bridge.  **(A Vote is Requested 6/24/15)**

G. Subordination Agreement for Megan I. Evans on the property located at 1921 Sauers Road, Harrisburg, PA 17110.  **(A Vote is Requested 6/24/15)**

H. Purchase of Service Agreements between Dauphin County (MH/ID) and:  **(A Vote is Requested 6/24/15)**

   1. George Shultz, Esq.
   2. Drexel University College of Medicine

I. 2015 Federal JAG Grants:

   1. Interlocal Agreement between the City of Harrisburg and Dauphin County for the 2015 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Award - $62,055 ($31,027 is for Victim Witness and $31,028 is for the City).
   2. Interlocal Agreement between Swatara Township and Dauphin County for the 2015 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant (JAG) Program Award - $10,087 for Victim Witness.
It was moved by Mr. Pries and seconded by Mr. Hartwick that the Board approve Items A through I, listed above under Items for Discussion.

Discussion:

Mr. Hartwick mentioned the “Stepping Up” Resolution and the intent of the Resolution. The intent is to reduce the number of people with mental illness that are in jail. Counties are attempting to address this problem, but are often faced by significant obstacles, such as coordinating multiple systems and operating with minimal resources. If the system is not changed, these people will continue to go through the criminal justice system without getting the best possible treatment. Dauphin County has its own plan ideas. This is a national issue.

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

SOLICITOR’S REPORT – JOE CURCILLO, III, ESQ.

Mr. Curcillo reported that the Solicitor’s Office is currently reviewing the items listed on the Solicitor’s Report.

CHIEF CLERK’S REPORT – CHAD SAYLOR

Mr. Saylor stated that he has nothing to report unless there are questions of him. (There was none.)

COMMISSIONERS’ COMMENTS

Mr. Pries mentioned that the Police Regionalization Meeting on Tuesday evening went well. A breakdown of where the County is at was provided. The final report from PERF should be received in the fall.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Haste noted that the Retirement Board Meeting will convene at 11:15.

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