DAUPHIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WORKSHOP MEETING

SEPTEMBER 4, 2019
10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF PRESENT

Chad Saylor, Chief Clerk; Janis Creason, Treasurer; Joseph A. Curcillo, III, Esq., Solicitor; Randy Baratucci, Director of Purchasing; Fred Lighty, Esq., Solicitor’s Office; J. Scott Burford, Deputy Chief Clerk; Donna Miller, Commissioners’ Office; Amy Richards, Press Secretary; Steve Libhart, Director of Public Safety; Jeff Enders, Public Safety; Edgar Cohen, Director of Facilities Maintenance; DiAndra Pena, Human Resources; Darian Durkin, Solicitor’s Office; Rebecca McCollough, Solicitor’s Office; J. Kiss, Public Safety; Julie Mackey, Commissioners’ Office; Kelly Megonnel, Commissioners’ Office; Ruby Doub, Commissioners’ Office and Richie-Ann Martz, Assistant Chief Clerk

GUESTS PRESENT

Jack Sherzer, Tom Connelly, Diane Bowman, Karen Cullings, Jerry Duke, Josue Figueroa, Angela Gregg and Mary McCarty

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Haste, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 10:04 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 an Executive Session was held this morning to discuss personnel matters.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

There was none.

DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS/GUESTS

A. Jeff Connelly, Partnership Specialists, US Census Bureau
   1. Proclamation

Mr. Haste noted that before Mr. Connelly begins his presentation, he would like to read the following Proclamation.

Office of the County Commissioners
Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Proclamation

We, the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners, are delighted to create a Complete Count Committee for the 2020 United States Census;

Whereas, the U.S. Constitution requires a count of the nation’s population – or census – every ten years to determine the number of congressional representatives for each state and allocate $600 billion dollar in federal funding annually;
Whereas, Dauphin County’s fair share of federal funds for programs essential to health care, education, housing, economic development and transportation, as well as our political representation in Washington, all depends on an accurate and fully counted census response;

Whereas, the 2020 census will be the first census to use the Internet and telephone call-in for responses from households, which will help facilitate replies;

Whereas, Dauphin County is establishing a 2020 Census Complete Count Committee that shall be chaired by Steve Deck, Executive Director of the Tri-County Regional Planning Commission, and his staff, and will include leaders of local nonprofits, universities, businesses, libraries and churches;

Therefore, we join the 275,000 residents of Dauphin County in recognizing the importance of an accurate count and in establishing a committee to support the Census and its mission; therefore, we do hereby proudly establish the Dauphin County Complete Count Committee on this 4th day of September, 2019.

Mr. Connelly reported on the 2020 Census in that it is safe, easy and important. It is a legal mandate to protect confidentiality. It can be done online, by mail or toll-free by phone. It’s important because of Congressional apportionment, federal funding and legislative redistricting. The 2010 participate rates were: National – 72%, Pennsylvania – 77% and Dauphin County – 78%.

The Commissioners questioned the hard to count areas as well as correctional facilities and halfway houses. The Tax Assessment Office can assist with locating such facilities.

Mr. Connelly indicated that they have things in place to work with these facilities. He suggested a sub-committee.

The Complete County Committee is comprised of a broad spectrum of government and community leaders from education, business, healthcare, and other community organizations. These members will develop and implement a 2020 Census awareness campaign based upon their knowledge of the local community to encourage a response. There are tools to assist partners: U.S. Census Bureau Partnership Website: https://www.census.gov/partners.html; Response Outreach Area Mapper (ROAM): https://www.census.gov/roam and Pennsylvania State Data Center: https://pennsylvaniacounts2020.info/.

The Commissioners thanked Mr. Connelly for his presentation. The Board has seen more information than it did 10 years ago and is pleased to work with the 2020 Census Team. The sub-committee is a great idea and Mr. Hartwick indicated that he will begin pulling that together.
HUMAN RESOURCES

Ms. Pena reported that the Packet was distributed on Friday and there are no changes. No questions were asked.

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

PURCHASE ORDERS

Mr. Baratucci reported that the Packet was distributed yesterday. He had two requisitions that came in after the Packet was distributed. One is for payroll checks and the other is for signs for safety issues. The Commissioners indicated their approval to add these requisitions to the Packet.

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

Bid Award – Capital Area Greenbelt Development – RR Bridge Rehab – Redrock Construction, Inc. - $89,561.00

Mr. Baratucci reported on a bid for the Greenbelt RR Bridge Rehab. The consultant on this project is Wilson Consulting. Seven bids were received, and they are recommending the low bid from Redrock Construction.

It was moved by Mr. Pries and seconded by Mr. Hartwick that the Board accept the low bid from Redrock Construction, Inc. in the amount of $89,561.00 for the Capital Area Greenbelt Development – RR Bridge Rehab project.

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

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 reported that he expects everything listed on the Solicitor’s Report to be ready for next week’s Legislative Meeting. No questions were asked.
CHIEF CLERK’S REPORT – CHAD SAYLOR

Mr. Saylor had nothing to report and no questions were asked.

COMMISSIONERS’ COMMENTS

There was none.

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