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COMMISSIONER BOARD MINUTES
August 11, 2011

Those present at the public meeting of the Venango County Commissioners held in Room 103 of the Courthouse Annex:

Commissioner Tim Brooks	Commissioner Jan Beichner
Commissioner Vince Witherup	Denise Jones, Chief Clerk
Rich Winkler, Solicitor	Abby Flockerzi, Admin. Asst.
Barb Benedict, CYS/HS	Diona Brick, Fiscal
Pennie Maclean, HR	Bill Kresinski, MIS
Sheila Boughner, News Herald	Craig Adams, Election Board
Pastor David Smith, Franklin Nazarene Church	Rose Adams, General Public
Kaiti Hanna, General Public	Katelin Riley, General Public

The meeting began with a public prayer given by Pastor David Smith from the Franklin Nazarene Church. Commissioner Brooks then led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

COMMISSIONER BOARD:

Commissioner Brooks called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m. The following changes were made to the agenda: the removal of the Victim Impact Panel (VIP) Contract under Court Administration and the addition of JMT Scope of Work and Fee Proposal under Planning Commission. With the noted changes to the Commission Board Agenda, Commissioner Witherup made a motion to accept the agenda as presented, Commissioner Beichner seconded the motion, aye all.

Commissioner Beichner made a motion to approve the minutes from the July 26, 2011 meeting, seconded by Commissioner Witherup, aye all.

COURT ADMINISTRATION:

There was no business to be conducted.

ROW OFFICERS:

There was no business to be conducted.

COMMUNITY SERVICES ADMINISTRATION:

There was no business to be conducted.

HUMAN SERVICES:

The following items were presented for approval by Barb Benedict:

Substance Abuse Services

Renewal agreement with Family Services and Children's Aid Society to provide the following services:

Outpatient services/Intensive Outpatient services-individual (\$67/hr), group (\$33/hr), jail group (\$62.50/hr), Student Assistance Program (\$49/hr), Shelter (\$50/day), Outreach, Prevention services (\$49/he), Gambling (\$47/hr).

Renewal agreement with Sojourner House to provide long term non-hospital treatment for pregnant women and women with children at \$205.88 per diem.

New agreement with Gaudenzia Erie, Inc. to provide the following services:

Day Halfway house for women and women with children (113/day), day halfway house for adult males (\$85/day), inpatient non hospital detox for adult males and females (\$275/day, short and long term non hospital rehabilitation for adult males and females (\$155/day), inpatient non hospital rehab for dual diagnosis adult males and females (\$245/day).

Mental Health and Development Services

Renewal agreement with the Visiting Nurses Association of Venango County to provide nursing services and Community Habilitation services at a rate to be set by the PA Department of Public Welfare.

Approval of a sublease agreement from August 1, 2011 until February 28, 2012 with the rent equal to 30% of monthly income up to the amount of the monthly rent.

Children, Youth and Family Services

Contract between the County, the University of Pittsburgh and Diane Weckerly for participation in the Child Welfare Education for Leadership program.

Approval of one resource family agreement.

Renewal agreement with Community Services of Venango county to provide Welcome Every Child and Nurse Visitation with a contract maximum of \$104, 341.

Renewal agreement with Heart 2 Heart Parent Support Network to provide consumer focused meetings and services and services for youth in transition with a contract maximum of \$117, 480.

PLANNING:

Commissioner Brooks presented a Proposal for Botanical Survey Services from Garvin Boward Beitko at the Sugarcreek Industrial Park project. The Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR) indicated that the potential project may impact the Wild Kidney Bean (*Phaseolus polystachios* – not listed, proposed PA Endangered) which could occur due to the proposed new road extension and waterline construction in Sandycreek Township between Morrison Run Road and Debence Drive.

Commissioner Witherup made a motion to approve the above item, seconded by Commissioner Beichner, aye all.

Commissioner Brooks submitted a Task Proposal from JMT on behalf of the Planning Commission for the extension of the existing Debence Drive to allow for future development of the Sandycreek Industrial Park.

Commissioner Witherup made a motion to approve the Task Proposal, seconded by Commissioner Beichner, aye all.

TWO MILE COUNTY PARK:

Commissioner Brooks presented the Park Activities Report as follows:

This Saturday, August 13th, is the Monthly Trail Ride leaving from Lockwood at 10:00am.

A Full Moon Night Hike, Mountain Pie Making and Corn Roast are also scheduled for this Saturday, August 13th. Everyone is to meet at the Lockwood pavilion at 8:00pm.

Saturday, August 20th, is the Annual Mountain Bike Race. It is scheduled to begin at noon. Anyone wanting to volunteer to help out is asked to call the Park Office at 814-676-6116.

The Woods Run and Walk scheduled for Saturday, August 27th, has been cancelled. The Park Trail Committee felt there were too many other running events scheduled in the area and they did not have enough volunteers to run the event. It will be scheduled again next year.

DEP will be inspecting the Dam on Friday, August 12th. Schnabel Engineering will be conducting the annual Dam inspection sometime in September.

A logging operation will be conducted sometime in late September or early October off of Warren Road to remove many white oak trees infected with a root fungus called Phytophthora. Mike McKain, Park Forester, will be overseeing the removal of the trees.

Crosby Beach is scheduled to close on Labor Day.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION:

Commissioner Brooks presented a Memorandum of Understanding with Charles Pascal to retain alternate counsel for the Venango County Board of Elections if a conflict of interest arises for Solicitor Rich Winkler and the Board.

Commissioner Witherup made a motion to approve the above items, seconded by Commissioner Beichner, aye all.

Mrs. Jones presented information concerning the leasing of Election Equipment with ES&S for the November 2011 Election using paper ballots. The cost for leasing the M650 including the jogger will be approximately \$12,745 and does not include the printing costs of the paper ballots.

Commissioner Beichner made a motion to approve the above items, seconded by Commissioner Witherup, aye all.

OTHER BUSINESS

There was no other business.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:45 p.m. upon a motion by Commissioner Witherup and a second by Commissioner Beichner; aye all.

Respectfully submitted,

Abby R. Flockerzi, Admin. Assist.