

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2016

A WORKSESSION/MEETING OF THE SCHUYLKILL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2016 AT 10:00 AM, IN THE HOFMANN ROOM OF THE COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE.

ATTENDING: CHAIRMAN GEORGE F. HALCOVAGE, JR.; COMMISSIONER FRANK J. STAUDENMEIER; COMMISSIONER GARY J. HESS; CONTROLLER CHRISTY JOY; FIRST DEPUTY CONTROLLER, RON ZIMMERMAN; TREASURER, LINDA MARCHALK; COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR, GARY BENDER; FINANCE DIRECTOR, PAUL BUBER; C&Y ADMINISTRATOR, LISA STEVENS; APO DEPUTY CHIEF, NEIL STEFANISKO; CHIEF JUVENILE JUSTICE OFFICER, KEN PORTER; ASSISTANT COORDINATOR/COMPLIANCE OFFICER, MICHELLE O'CONNELL; COUNTY SOLICITOR, AL MARSHALL; HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR/RISK MANAGER MARTINA CHWASTIAK; AND CHIEF CLERK, DARLENE LAUGHLIN.

SESSION CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

AT THIS TIME, COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE ASKED FOR A MOMENT OF SILENCE IN HONOR OF THE RECENT PASSING OF FORMER COUNTY COMMISSIONER PAUL SHEERS.

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS HELD

THE CHIEF CLERK STATED THERE WERE NO EXECUTIVE SESSIONS TO REPORT.

PUBLIC COMMENT

THERE WERE NO REQUESTS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PUBLIC COMMENT SEGMENT OF TODAY'S MEETING.

PROCLAMATION – RECOGNIZING “WILLIAM E. REICHERT” - RECIPIENT OF THE 2016 PARTNERSHIP AWARD

MOTION

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO RECOGNIZE WILLIAM E. REICHERT ON RECEIVING THE 2016 PARTNERSHIP AWARD.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE – YES COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER – YES

COMMISSIONER HESS – YES

AT THIS TIME THE PROCLAMATION WAS READ BY COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE AND PRESENTED AND ACCEPTED BY WILLIAM E. REICHERT, THE RECIPIENT OF THIS YEAR'S 2016 PARTNERSHIP AWARD AS PRESENTED BY THE NE ENVIRONMENTAL PARTNERS.

WILLIAM THANKED THE COMMISSIONERS FOR THE PROCLAMATION AND RECOGNITION. HE SAID THAT THIS AWARD WOULD NOT HAVE BEEN MADE POSSIBLE WITHOUT THE TREMENDOUS EFFORTS OF MANY INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS.

COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER AND COMMISSIONER HESS RECOGNIZED THE JOB THAT WILLIAM HAS DONE AND APPRECIATE HIS COMMITMENT TO THE ENVIRONMENT.

LISA STEVENS – 5 SERVICE AGREEMENTS & 1 APPROVAL OF A BUDGET CERTIFICATION STATEMENT

LISA STEVENS, C & Y ADMINISTRATOR, REQUESTED THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO A PURCHASE OF SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH FOLLOWING PROVIDERS FOR THE TERM JULY 1, 2016 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2017:

OPEN DOOR, READING, PA FOR TRADITIONAL FOSTER CARE AT A PER DIEM OF \$40.50, SPECIALIZED FOSTER CARE AT A PER DIEM OF \$72.00, MOTHER/CHILD FOSTER AT A PER DIEM OF \$94.00

THE CHILDREN'S CHOICE, PHILADELPHIA, PA FOR FOSTER LEVEL I AT A PER DIEM OF \$38.50, FOSTER LEVEL III AT A PER DIEM OF \$75.75, ADOPTION/PLACEMENT AT A PER UNIT RATE OF \$4000

ACCESS SERVICES, ORWIGSBURG, PA FOR SUPERVISED VISITS AT A PER UNIT RATE OF \$25.00

PENNSYLVANIA MENTOR, BROOMALL, PA FOR CRR ROOM AND BOARD AT A PER DIEM OF \$14.69, RESPITE CARE AT A PER DIEM OF \$80.00, EMERGENCY RESPITE CARE AT A PER DIEM OF \$99.00

THE SUMMIT ACADEMY, PITTSBURGH, PA FOR SUMMIT RESIDENTIAL AT A PER DIEM OF \$134.98, DRUG & ALCOHOL PROGRAM AT A PER DIEM OF \$209.00, NEW OUTLOOK D&A AT A PER DIEM OF \$265.00

REQUESTED THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVE AND SIGN THE PLAN AND BUDGET CERTIFICATION STATEMENT FOR C&Y PROGRAMS SO THAT IT MAY BE FILED WITH THE STATE. **MOTION REQUESTED**

MOTION

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE ABOVE REQUEST.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE – YES COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER – YES
COMMISSIONER HESS – YES

NEIL STEFANISKO – 1 CONTRACT

NEIL STEFANISKO, ADULT PROBATION OFFICE DEPUTY CHIEF, REQUESTED THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING:

APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT WITH SATELLITE TRACKING OF PEOPLE LLC TO PROVIDE ELECTRONIC MONITORING SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF ONE (1) YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 26, 2016 THROUGH OCTOBER 27, 2017. **MOTION REQUESTED**

IT WAS NOTED, THAT COMMISSIONER HESS ASKED NEIL IF THE COST REMAINED THE SAME AS THE PREVIOUS YEAR.

NEIL INFORMED THE BOARD THAT ACTUALLY THERE WAS A DECREASE IN THE COSTS DUE TO THE USE OF MORE UPDATED EQUIPMENT AND WE WILL BE GETTING A MUCH BETTER PRODUCT OUT OF A LOWER COST.

MOTION

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE ABOVE REQUEST.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE – YES COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER – YES
COMMISSIONER HESS – YES

KEN PORTER – 1 APPROVAL TO EXECUTE A GRANT-IN-AID NOTIFICATION

KEN PORTER, CHIEF JUVENILE JUSTICE OFFICER, REQUESTED THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING:

APPROVAL TO EXECUTE THE GRANT-IN-AID NOTIFICATION FROM THE JUVENILE COURT JUDGES' COMMISSION FOR IMPROVING JUVENILE JUSTICE SERVICES IN SCHUYLKILL COUNTY. THE AWARD IS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$250,042.00 AND WILL BE EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016 TO JUNE 30, 2017. THIS IS A CONTINUATION OF A PREVIOUSLY APPROVED GRANT. **MOTION REQUESTED**

MOTION

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE ABOVE REQUEST.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE – YES COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER – YES
COMMISSIONER HESS – YES

TREASURER MARCHALK – SEPTEMBER TREASURER’S REPORT

COUNTY TREASURER, LINDA MARCHALK, REQUESTED APPROVAL OF THE TREASURER’S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER, 2016, AS FOLLOWS:

BEGINNING BALANCE - \$48,435,159.43 IN ALL ACCOUNTS
DEPOSITS - \$11,508,406.48
DISBURSEMENTS - -\$10,886,682.67
ENDING BALANCE - \$49,056,883.24

MICHELLE O’CONNELL – 1 COOPERATION AGREEMENT

MICHELLE O’CONNELL, ASSISTANT COORDINATOR/COMPLIANCE OFFICER, REQUESTED THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS’ APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING:

REQUESTED APPROVAL TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH COALDALE BOROUGH FOR A DEMOLITION PROJECT LOCATED AT 146 FISHER AVENUE.

PAUL BUBER – 1 CONTRACT ADDENDUM & 5 BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

PAUL BUBER, FINANCE DIRECTOR, REQUESTED THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS’ APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING:

ON BEHALF OF ADMINISTRATION/FINANCE:

REQUESTED APPROVAL OF A CONTRACT ADDENDUM FOR CONTRACT #2015-495 WITH ZELEKOFKSKE AXELROD, HARRISBURG PA FOR THE 2015 AUDIT. THIS ADDENDUM INCREASES THE CONTRACT CAP BY \$2,500. **MOTION REQUESTED**

MOTION

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE ABOVE REQUEST.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE – YES COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER – YES
COMMISSIONER HESS – YES

ON BEHALF OF DISTRICT JUSTICES - COURTS:

REQUESTED APPROVAL OF A 2016 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$280.00 TO ADJUST BUDGETARY AUTHORITY TO COVER IN LIEU OF BENEFITS FOR AN EMPLOYEE FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2016 (4 PAY PERIODS). **MOTION REQUESTED**

MOTION

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE ABOVE REQUEST.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE – YES COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER – YES
COMMISSIONER HESS – YES

REQUESTED APPROVAL OF A 2016 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,300 TO ADJUST BUDGETARY AUTHORITY TO COVER END OF YEAR MONTHLY COPIER LEASE PAYMENTS AND QUARTERLY LEASE PAYMENT FOR POSTAGE METERS. **MOTION REQUESTED**

MOTION

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE ABOVE REQUEST.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE – YES COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER – YES
COMMISSIONER HESS – YES

REQUESTED APPROVAL OF A 2016 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,800 TO ADJUST BUDGETARY AUTHORITY TO COVER MAGLOCK FOR ADDITIONAL SECURITY FOR MDJ CHRISTINA HALE'S OFFICE. **MOTION REQUESTED**

MOTION

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE ABOVE REQUEST.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE – YES COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER – YES
COMMISSIONER HESS – YES

REQUESTED APPROVAL OF A 2016 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$7,400 TO ADJUST BUDGETARY AUTHORITY TO COVER GOPHER (BALLS FOR RECREATION), MILLER BROTHERS (SUPPLIES), PADFIELD (MISC. REPAIRS), SCHUYLKILL ELECTRONICS (RADIOS), OFFICE SERVICE CO. (SPECIALTY ENVELOPES), STS (FUEL & OIL). **MOTION REQUESTED**

MOTION

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE ABOVE REQUEST.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE – YES COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER – YES
COMMISSIONER HESS – YES

ON BEHALF OF 9-1-1 DEPARTMENT:

REQUESTED APPROVAL OF A 2016 BUDGET ADJUSTMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$10,032 TO ADJUST BUDGETARY AUTHORITY TO COVER MAINTENANCE ON JORDAN REALTY CELL TOWERS. **MOTION REQUESTED**

MOTION

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE ABOVE REQUEST.

A ROLL CALL VOTE WAS AS FOLLOWS:

COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE – YES COMMISSIONER STAUDENMEIER – YES
COMMISSIONER HESS – YES

MARTINA CHWASTIAK – PERSONNEL ACTIONS & INFORMATION

MARTINA CHWASTIAK, HUMAN RESOURCES/RISK MANAGER, REQUESTED THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING:

OFFICE OF SENIOR SERVICES – 2 APPOINTMENTS

CAROL FETTEROLF, GORDON, PA HAS BEEN APPOINTED TO AN AGING CASE AIDE II POSITION, AFSCME, AT \$12.86 PER HOUR. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 27, 2016.

LYNNE TAYLOR TRAVAGLINI, SCHUYLKILL HAVEN, PA HAS BEEN APPOINTED TO AN AGING CASE AIDE II POSITION, AFSCME, AT \$12.86 PER HOUR. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 31, 2016.

CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES – 1 RETIREMENT; 1 APPOINTMENT & 1 PROMOTION

REQUESTED APPROVAL OF THE RETIREMENT OF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER II, PATTI MOYER, WAYNE TOWNSHIP, PA FROM SAID POSITION. EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 30, 2016.

REQUESTED APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENT OF MATTHEW COOPER, MOUNT CARMEL, PA TO A FISCAL TECHNICIAN POSITION, NON UNION/NON EXEMPT, AT PAY RANGE 3, STEP 14, AT \$17.844 PER HOUR. EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 7, 2016.

REQUESTED APPROVAL OF THE PROMOTION OF ROXANNE COOK, RINGTOWN, PA FROM A COUNTY CASEWORKER I POSITION TO A COUNTY CASEWORKER II POSITION, PSSU, AT PAY RANGE 35, AT \$18.5882 PER HOUR. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 31, 2016.

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OFFICE OF SENIOR SERVICES – 2 RESIGNATIONS

KAREN ROCKWELL, BUTLER TOWNSHIP, PA RESIGNED FROM AN AGING CARE MANAGER II POSITION. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 14, 2016.

TAMMY GIBSON, NEW CASTLE TOWNSHIP, PA RESIGNED FROM A FISCAL ASSISTANT POSITION. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 26, 2016.

DISTRICT ATTORNEY – WAGE INCREASE

ALICIA CUFF, MAHANOEY TOWNSHIP, PA, SECRETARY II, COURT RELATED II, HAS BEEN GIVEN A WAGE INCREASE PER THE UNION CONTRACT. NEW WAGE IS \$13.83 PER HOUR. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 10, 2016.

CLERK OF COURTS – WAGE INCREASE

ASHLEY FESSLER, WASHINGTON TOWNSHIP, PA, CLERK II, COURT RELATED II, HAS BEEN GIVEN A WAGE INCREASE PER THE UNION CONTRACT. NEW WAGE IS \$13.06 PER HOUR. EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 31, 2016.

PLEASE NOTE:

*ALL APPOINTMENTS ARE PENDING DRUG TEST AND PHYSICAL.

*ALL ACTIONS INVOLVING SALARY ARE PENDING SALARY BOARD APPROVAL.

NEW BUSINESS

THERE WAS NO NEW BUSINESS.

ADJOURNMENT

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, COMMISSIONER HALCOVAGE ADJOURNED THE MEETING.

ATTEST: _____

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PLEASE NOTE:

THE COMMISSIONERS' PUBLIC MEETING WILL BE HELD NEXT **WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 26, 2016 AT 6:00 P.M.** IN THE COMMISSIONERS' BOARD ROOM.