MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 8, 2007

Members Present: Brian Beader, Kenneth A. Seamans, Olivia M. Lazor

Pledge of Allegiance:

Others Present: Dan Gracenin, Carmen Reichard, Ann Peterson, Christie Dennis, Angelo Stamoolis, Chris Brewer, Tom Amundsen, William Boyle, William Madden, Norma Anderton, John Logan, Ginny Richardson, Dale Haws, Doug McElhaney, Brad Gosser, Ken Ammann, Liz Fair, Frank Stratiff of the Record Argus, Mary Grzebieniak of the Vindicator, Matt Snyder of the Herald, and other concerned citizens.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Motion to approve February 20, 2007 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans
Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor
Motion carried.

Motion to approve February 27, 2007 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans
Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader
Motion carried.

Motion to approve February 22, 2007 Commissioners' Meeting minutes.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans
Voted yes: Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans
Motion carried.

Motion to approve a proclamation to Patrick M. Dever in recognition of his selection as the 2007 Irishman of the Year.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans
Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor
Motion carried.

Motion to approve a proclamation in order to declare March 2007 Mental Retardation Awareness Month.

Moved: Ms. Lazor **Seconded: Mr. Seamans**
Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader
Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2007-02, approving an interest rate management plan; authorizing the form of an interest rate management agreement (consisting of an additional confirmation and an amendment to an existing agreement) relating to its general obligation bonds, series of 2001 as well as bonds proposed to refund the same; authorizing the proper officers of the county to execute and deliver the interest rate management agreement(s); covenanting to pay the periodic scheduled payments due from the county under the interest rate management agreement(s); retaining an independent financial advisor; authorizing the preparation of a transcript of proceedings to be filed with the Department of Community and Economic Development; and authorizing the execution and delivery of other necessary documents and the taking of other necessary actions in connection with the foregoing. (Copies of this Resolution and the interest rate management plan are available upon request.)

Moved: Ms. Lazor **Seconded: Mr. Seamans**
Voted yes: Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans
Motion carried.

Motion to authorize entering into a cooperation agreement with the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission to provide for administration of Mercer County's FY 2007, Community Development Block Grant (CDBG). the amount is 18% of the total grant.

Moved: Ms. Lazor **Seconded: Mr. Seamans**
Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor
Motion carried.

Motion to authorize the submission of the CDBG Fiscal Year 2007 application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development providing funding for the following projects as listed below:

Pymatuning Twp- $ 168,000	**Pymatuning Twp. - $44,000**
M.C. Literacy Council- $ 17,900	**Community Counseling Center- $ 13,000**
AWARE- $6,100	**Community Food Warehouse- $ 4,000**
Medical Equipment Recycling- $3,500	**Keystone Blind Association- $ 2,500**

Moved: Ms. Lazor **Seconded: Mr. Seamans**
Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader
Motion carried.

Motion to authorize the advertising for shelving to be placed in the old jail for the transfer of records storage. This is based on a recommendation of Susan Hartman of the Bureau of Archives & History for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Moved: Mr. Seamans Seconded: Ms. Lazor
Voted yes: Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans
Motion carried.

Motion to approve the following financial investments as listed:

From	To		Amount
MH/MR 1st Nat'l Bank of PA/IMM	MH/MR Northwest Savings Bank/MM	$	29.40
Clerk of Courts Auto National City Bank/Chkg	Clerk of Courts Auto Northwest Savings Bank/MM		620.00
2001 Capital Bond Sinking Nat'l City Bank/BIIA	2001 Capital Bond Sinking Citizens Bank/CWI		3,817.00
Liquid Fuel National City Bank/CWI	Liquid Fuel 1st Nat'l Bank of PA/IMM		44,277.00
Federal Bridge National City Bank/Sweep Acct	Federal Bridge 1st Nat'l Bank of PA/IMM		8,478.00
Federal Bridge Northwest Savings Bank/MA	Federal Bridge 1st Nat'l Bank of PA/IMM		4,455.00

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans
Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor
Motion carried.

Motion to approve the Personnel action(s) as follows:

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE	GRADE/STEP
RESIGNATIONS:			
JUDGE ST. JOHN'S CHAMBERS:			
Robert T. Price	Tip Staff	12/31/06	

TRANSFERS:

MERCER COUNTY JAIL:

Philip Curtin	**Full Time Correctional Officer From PT Correctional Officer**	**3/4//07**	**Current Rate 3-6 mos.**
Monica Moretti	**Full Time Correctional Officer From PT Correctional Officer**	**3/5/07**	**Current Rate 3-6 mos.**

(Recommendations of the Emergency Prison Board Meeting 3/1/07)

Moved: Ms. Lazor **Seconded: Mr. Seamans**
Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader
Motion carried.

Motion to ratify the attached previously approved expenditures dated 2/20/07-3/5/07.

Moved: Ms. Lazor **Seconded: Mr. Seamans**
Voted yes: Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans
Motion carried.

Motion to approve the following exoneration(s) being granted as listed:

Tax Collector	District	County Per Capita	County Per Capita TBC	Year
Nanci E. Gearhart	Sugar Grove Twp.	$ 15.00		2006
Joni F. Maybee (correction of 1-11-07 ltr)	Salem Twp.	20.00		2007
Joni F. Maybee	Salem Twp.	5.00		2006
Nancy Reithmiller (cancellation of 2-8-07 ltr)	Lackawannock Twp.	905.00		2007
Nancy Reithmiller (cancellation of 2-22-07 correction ltr)	Lackawannock Twp.	905.00		2007
Bernadette Harry	Hermitage City	865.00		2006
Suzanne Carter Barner	Mercer Boro		$ 895.00	2006
Nancy Reithmiller	Lackawannock Twp.		905.00	2006
Nanci E. Gearhart	Sugar Grove Twp.		265.00	2006
Karen King (correction of 2-22-07 ltr)	Perry Twp.		555.00	2006
Bernadette Harry	Hermitage City		6390.00	2006
	Total:	*2715.00*	*9010.00*	

Moved: Ms. Lazor **Seconded: Mr. Seamans**
Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor
Motion carried.

Motion to declare the value of the used Polaroid camera model MG-4; the Polaroid laminator model ID100-D and the Polaroid laminator trimmer type CR-60, to be less than $1000.00.

Moved: Ms. Lazor **Seconded: Mr. Seamans**
Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader
Motion carried.

Old Business:

New Business:

Recess to Salary Board.

Public Comment: Representatives from several public service organizations thanked the Commissioners for CDBG allocations. Doug McElhaney posed a question, Liz Fair posed questions.

Questions of the Media: The Board answered questions of the Media.

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Mr. Seamans **Seconded: Ms. Lazor**
The Board adjourned at 10:59 a.m.

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Mercer County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

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Chief Clerk