MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 13, 2007

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

Pledge of Allegiance:

Others Present: Tom Amundsen, William Boyle, Norma Anderton, Christie Dennis, Dot Hillman, James Conner, Jim Mondok, Ray Benedict, Ron Errett, Jim Epstein, Bob Kochems, Michael DeForest, Jeff Gill, Jeff Greenburg, John Logan, Ginny Richardson, Mark Miller, William McConnell Jr., Rhonda McClelland, Ken Ammann, Mary Grzebieniak of the Vindicator, Frank Stratiff of the Record Argus, Patrick Connelly of the Herald and other concerned citizens.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None.

Motion to approve November 27, 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 December 4, 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 November 29, 2007 Commissioners' Meeting minutes.

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

Motion to approve December 6, 2007 Special Commissioners' Meeting minutes.

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

Motion to approve a proclamation to AWARE in order to recognize their 30th Anniversary.

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

Motion to approve a proclamation to Sarah R. Davis, Troop 630, for receiving the Gold Award, the highest award in Girl Scouting.

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

Motion to approve a proclamation to Sara L. Morneweck, Troop 630, for receiving the Gold Award, the highest award in Girl Scouting.

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

Motion to approve a proclamation to Benjamin W. Morneweck, Troop 86, for achieving Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting.

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

Motion to approve a proclamation to James L. Conner in order to recognize his selection as PA Builder of the Year for 2007.

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

Motion to enter into a Consent Order & Agreement (CO&A) in order to relieve Mercer County and the Solid Waste Authority of their recycling grant obligations with the DEP for the recycling equipment and property associated with the Jackson Township Consolidation Center.

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

Motion to adopt Resolution 2007-24, authorizing the issuance of a Tax and Revenue Anticipation Note in the principal amount of $5,000,000.00; providing for the date, interest rate, maturity date, place of payment and redemption provisions in respect of the Note; accepting the cost quotation of $159,441.67 from First National Bank of PA, Hermitage, PA, for the purchase of the Note; providing for the security of the Note; authorizing the proper officers to execute and deliver the Note; authorizing and directing the preparation, certification, and filing of the Transcript of Proceedings with the Department of Community and Economic Development; appointing a paying agent, registrar and sinking fund depositary; creating a sinking fund; approving a form of Note; and repealing inconsistent resolutions.

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

Motion to adopt RESOLUTION 2007-25 authorizing and directing the transfer of real estate owned by the County of Mercer on Dock Street in Sharon to the Mercer County Community Action Partnership for and in consideration of the sum of $1.00

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans
Vote: Ms. Lazor - abstain, Mr. Beader – yes, Mr. Seamans- yes
Motion carried.

Motion to enter into an Agreement with Infocon Corp., 957 Rowena Dr., Ebensburg, PA 15931, to provide tax bill and tax duplicate printing services.

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

Motion to contract with L. Robert Kimball and Associates of Ebensburg, PA, to provide GIS Layers and Road Centerlines to assist the County in becoming Phase II compliant. This project is being done in conjunction with the Mercer County Tax Assessment Office and the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission. The amount of the contract is $256,000.00

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

Motion to accept the bid and enter into contract with Shingledecker's Welding, Inc. of 118 Shingledecker Drive, Franklin, PA 16323 in the amount of $332,073.20 for Mercer County Bridge 3108 on Diamond Road in Pine Township. (This project is funded 80% Federal / 15% state / 5% Act 26 funds.)

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

Motion to declare the 1985 Ford F-150 pick-up truck for the Conservation Department of "No Value." (The cost of repairs far exceeds the value and in its present condition it is inoperable.)

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

Motion to ratify the contract with Patricia E. Reagle of Sandy Lake-Polk Rd., Sandy Lake PA for the cleaning services at D. J. Silvis's bldg. The effective date is January 1, 2008 and the annual cost is $2,500.00

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

Motion to approve a Request for Proposals to update the Emergency Action Plans for the seven County-owned flood control dams and for Investigation and Repair of the Stoneboro Dam PA-474.

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

Motion to approve an application for a Pennsylvania Conservation Corps grant for work to be done at Munnell Run Farm between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009. The cost of materials ($18,900) will be reimbursed at 75% by the PCC grant and 25% by the Munnell Run Farm Foundation. The grant will pay wages of the 6-person crew. There will be no cost to the County for the project. Work will include building, renovation, landscaping, tree planting and woodlot amphitheater construction.

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

Motion to approve the following financial investments as listed:

From	To		Amount
Liquid Fuel 1st Nat'l Bank of PA/IMM	Liquid Fuel Citizens Bank C of D	$	300,000.00
Federal Bridge 1st Nat'l Bank of PA/IMM	Federal Bridge Citizens Bank C of D		400,000.00
General Fund Citizens Bank/CWI	General Fund Citizens Bank C of D		6,000,000.00
E911 Wireless Prog Citizens Bank/CWI	E911 Wireless Prog Citizens Bank C of D		600,000.00
Affordable Housing Citizens Bank/CWI	Affordable Housing Citizens Bank C of D		639,060.00
Econ. Dev. Cap. Res. Citizens Bank/CWI	Econ. Dev. Cap. Res. Citizens Bank C of D		846,450.00

Co. Share Rec. Imp. **Citizens Bank/ CWI**	**Co. Share. Rec. Imp.** **Citizens Bank C of D**	**100, 000.00**
Capital Reserve **Citizens Bank/CWI**	**Capital Reserve** **Citizens Bank C of D**	**3,000,000.00**
2001 Cap Bond Sinking **Citizens Bank/CWI**	**2001 Cap Bond Sinking** **Citizens Bank C of D**	**1,328,384.00**

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

Motion to enter into an agreement with Johnson Controls, Youngstown, OH, to provide software upgrades to the existing ADS Metasys Server and NAE and to provide an annual software subscription at the County jail for the following year including 8 hours of labor to install the upgrades. The cost is $7,520.00.

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

Motion to enter into an agreement with Westlaw Co., 610 Opperman Dr., PO Box 64833, St. Paul MN 55164 to provide correctional access to legal materials for the inmates at the County Jail. This is a renewal of an existing contract. The cost is $696.96 per month and will be paid for by the Inmate Canteen Fund.

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
<u>RETIREMENTS:</u>			
HOUSEKEEPING:			
Judith L. Baker	**Custodian Leader**	**1/4/08**	
REGISTRATION & ELECTION:			
Madylon M. Bromley	**Clerical Assistant**	**1/8/08**	

CORRECTIONS:

ENHANCED 9-1-1 CENTER:

Amy E. Addison	**Temp Full Time**	**11/25/07**	**TC&S 6 Current Rate**

RESIGNATIONS RESCINDED TO LATER DATE:

MERCER COUNTY JAIL:

Thomas N. Lewis	**Part Time Facilities Mgmt Asst**	**12/7/07**

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

Motion to appoint Black, Bashor & Porsch, LLP, Certified Public Accountants, 270 East Connelly Boulevard, Sharon, PA 16146, to audit the financial records of Mercer County for the year 2007. Audit fee is not to exceed $46,900 and the CYS audit fee is not to exceed $10,800.

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

Motion to ratify the attached previously approved expenditures dated 11/27/07 – 12/10/07.

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

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

Tax Collector	District	County Per Capita	County Per Capita TBC	Year
Cindy Smith	Worth Twp.	$ 170.00		2007
Laurie E. Campbell	Wilmington Twp.	15.00		2007
Linda S. Watts	Stoneboro Boro	10.00		2007
Sharyn Kawecki	Sandy Lake Twp.	25.00		2007
Carolyn S. Chess	Sandy Creek Twp.	5.00		2007
Cheryl Garrett	W. Middlesex Boro	5.00		2006
Debra K. Schnur	Clark Boro	10.00		2007
Diane M. Thut	Sharon City	325.00		2007
Nancy Reithmiller	Lackawannock Twp.	55.00		2007
Carolyn S. Chess	Sandy Creek Twp.	5.00		2007
Susan Pears	Fairview Twp.	105.00		2007

Lea Anne DuMars	**South Pym. Twp.**	**85.00**	**2007**
Diane M. Thut	**Sharon City**	**1,070.00**	**2007**
Karen Bombatch	**Wolf Creek Twp.**	**10.00**	**2007**
Loretta L. Hancox	**Otter Creek Twp.**	**15.00**	**2007**
Sandra Swogger	**French Creek Twp.**	**5.00**	**2007**
Patricia Sweesy	**Shenango Twp.**	**40.00**	**2007**
Ruth Magee	**Springfield Twp.**	**10.00**	**2007**
Patti L. Ryder	**E. Lackawannock**	**150.00**	**2007**
	Total:	***2,115.00***	

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

Motion to approve the following refund(s) as listed:

Name	**District**		**Amount**	**Year**
Vassen, William D. & Bonny L.	**Shenango Twp.**	**$**	**215.70**	**2007**
Challener, Kenneth R.	**Mercer Boro**		**61.01**	**2007**
Carpec, Andrew & Ethel	**Shenango Twp.**		**185.55**	**2007**
Whaling, David B.	**Hempfield Twp.**		**622.50**	**2007**
Thiel College Business Office	**Hempfield Twp.**		**18.31**	**2007**
		Total:	***1103.07***	

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

Motion to approve an application for a Pennsylvania DEP grant for the update and revisions to the Mercer County Municipal Solid Waste Management Plan. between July 1, 2008 and June 30, 2009. The cost is $54,872. The grant amount is $43,897; County's match of $10,975 will be provided by in-kind services.

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

Motion to enter into a consulting agreement with Nestor Resources, 208 Kozy Corner Rd., Valencia PA 16059, to perform consulting services for the Mercer County Municipal Waste Management Plan Revisions, effective December 13, 2007. The cost will be $43,897.

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

Motion to enter into a three year contract with Woodring Detective Bureau of Meadville Pa. for security services at the Domestic Relations Department. The contract will run from January 1, 2008 through December 31, 2010. Hourly rates will be set each Jan 1: 2008 - $17.37; 2009 - $18.06; 2010 - $18.78.

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

Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Recess to Salary Board.

Public Comment: Ken Ammann posed a question regarding the Nestor contract.

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

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Ms. Lazor **Seconded: Mr. Seamans**
Meeting adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

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Mercer County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

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Chief Clerk