

MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

March 22, 2007

Members Present: Brian Bader, Kenneth A. Seamans

Pledge of Allegiance:

Others Present: Justin Philson, Daniel Colgan, Mike Colgan, Jim Kabais, Marilyn Moore, Christie Dennis, Jay Hamilton, Norma Anderton, Bill Boyle, Jeff Greenburg, Ginny Richardson, Marilyn Morris, Rhonda McClelland, William Jones, Mark Benedetto, Don Fedorczyk, Tom Amundsen, Liz Fair, Frank Stratiff of the Record Argus, Matt Snyder of the Sharon Herald, Mary Grzebieniak of the Vindicator, and other concerned citizens.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Motion to approve March 6, 2007 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Bader

Voted yes: Mr. Bader, Mr. Seamans

Motion carried.

Motion to approve March 13, 2007 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Bader

Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Mr. Bader

Motion carried.

Motion to approve March 8, 2007 Commissioners' Meeting minutes.

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Bader

Voted yes: Mr. Bader, Mr. Seamans

Motion carried.

Motion to approve a proclamation in order to declare April, 2007, as *Fair Housing Month*.

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Bader

Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Mr. Bader

Motion carried.

Motion to approve a proclamation in order to declare April, 2007, as *Mercer County Literacy Awareness Month*.

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Bader

Voted yes: Mr. Bader, Mr. Seamans

Motion carried.

Motion to approve a proclamation to Justin Philson, for achieving Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting.

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Beader

Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Mr. Beader

Motion carried.

Motion to approve a proclamation to Daniel Colgan, for achieving Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting.

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Beader

Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans

Motion carried.

Motion to approve a proclamation to Joshua Martin, for achieving Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting.

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Beader

Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Mr. Beader,

Motion carried.

Motion to enter into a purchase of service addendum, on behalf of CYS, with The Bair Foundation, 245 High Street, New Wilmington, PA 16142 to provide the Parent's Empowerment Program (P.E.P.) at the following rates:

Supervised visitation with parenting component	\$40.00/hour
Supervised visitation with homemaking component	\$45.00/hour
Group parenting instruction (scheduled classes)	\$25.00/hour
Individual parenting instruction	\$40.00/hour
Transitional services - Same rates as above (provided in the home during the end stage of the program)	

Effective March 1, 2007 through June 30, 2007.

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Beader

Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans

Motion carried.

Motion to accept the bid and enter into contract with ABCON, Inc., 1130 Performance Place, Youngstown, Ohio 44502 in the amount of \$49,950.00 for Flood Grant Work on Mercer County Dams.

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Beader

Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Mr. Beader

Motion carried.

Motion to approve the following financial investments as listed:

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Capital Reserve Nat'l City Bank/Sweep Acct	Capital Reserve Citizens Bank/CWI	\$ 878,746.00
2001 Capital Bond Sinking Nat'l City Bank/BIIA	2001 Capital Bond Sinking Citizens Bank/CWI	1,202.00
Tax Lien Nat'l City Bank/Checking	Tax Lien Northwest Savings Bank/MA	481,435.00
Payroll National City Bank/Checking	Payroll Citizens Bank/CWI	15,494.00
Federal Bridge 1 st Nat'l Bank of PA/IMM	Federal Bridge Northwest Savings Bank/MA	552,110.00
Affordable Housing Citizens Bank/CWI	Affordable Housing Northwest Savings Bank/MA	555,780.00
Children and Youth Serv. Citizens Bank/CWI	Children & Youth Serv. Northwest Savings Bank/MA	297,885.00
Public Sale 1 st Nat'l Bank of PA/IMM	Public Sale Northwest Savings Bank/MA	152,490.00
Liquid Fuel 1 st Nat'l Bank of PA/IMM	Liquid Fuel Northwest Savings Bank/MA	468,655.00
Recorder Records Imp. Citizens Bank/CWI	Recorder Records Imp. Northwest Savings Bank/MA	158,000.00
Retirement Citizens Bank/CWI	Retirement Northwest Savings Bank/MA	770,700.00

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Beader

Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans

Motion carried.

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

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE	GRADE
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NEW HIRES:

JUVENILE PROBATION:

Elizabeth S. Buchanan	Community Liaison (Replace S. Beatty who transferred to the School Based Officer position)	4/2/07	P&A 6
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INTERMEDIATE PUNISHMENT PROGRAM:

Ronald C. Knapp	Part Time House Arrest Officer (Replace M. Ralls who resigned 9/17/05)	3/14/07	90% P&A 4- Entry
Kenneth L. Webb	Part Time House Arrest Officer (Replace A. Ward who resigned 3/19/04)	3/14/07	90% P&A 4- Entry

(Recommendations of the Prison Board 2/27/07)

TAX ASSESSMENT OFFICE:

Caryn E. Finnegan	Clerical Assistant (Replace J. Rodgers-Totin who transferred to the Map Office)	3/28/07	TC&S 4-Entry
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JUDGE FORNELLI'S CHAMBERS:

Edward P. Stanton	Back-Up Court Crier	3/12/07	Entry
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RESCIND RESIGNATION:

COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE:

Norma M. Anderton	Chief Clerk	3/12/07	
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TRANSFERS:

FROM THE PROTHONOTARY OFFICE TO THE CLERK OF COURTS:

Kerry Karsonovich	Sr. Procedure Clerk (Replace R. Bice who will be replacing R. Dunn who will be retiring)	4/2/07	TC&S 6 Current Rate
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Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Beader

Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Mr. Beader

Motion carried.

Motion to ratify the attached previously approved expenditures dated 3/6/07 – 3/19/07.

Moved: Mr. Seamans
 Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans
 Motion carried.

Seconded: Mr. Beader

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

<u>Tax Collector</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>County Per Capita</u>	<u>County Per Capita TBC</u>	<u>Year</u>
Sandra Swogger	French Creek Twp.	\$ 35.00		2007
Debra Rodemoyer	Delaware Twp.	180.00		2007
Nancy Reithmiller	Lackawannock Twp.	10.00		2006
		<u>Total:</u>	<u>225.00</u>	

Moved: Mr. Seamans
 Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Mr. Beader
 Motion carried.

Seconded: Mr. Beader

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

<u>Name</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Year</u>
Campbell, Earl Jr. & Shirley	Salem Twp.	\$ 13.22	2006

Moved: Mr. Seamans
 Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans
 Motion carried.

Seconded: Mr. Beader

Motion to change the motion approved at the March 8, 2007 Commissioners' Meeting, regarding CDBG Fiscal Year 2007 funding allocations for the following projects, and adoption of Resolution 2007-03 in conformance herewith: (change noted in italics)

Pymatuning Twp # 1 - \$ 168,000	Pymatuning Twp # 2 - <u>\$52,756</u>
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: Mr. Seamans
 Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Mr. Beader
 Motion carried.

Seconded: Mr. Beader

Motion to adopt Resolution 2007-04 which declares the District Justice Building, located at Idaho Street, Farrell, in such a state due to mold and a leaking roof, that emergency repairs are required. All the files are in the District Justice Building, which because of the mold is uninhabitable.

Moved: Mr. Seamans **Seconded: Mr. Bader**
Voted yes: Mr. Bader, Mr. Seamans
Motion carried.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2007-05, which supports application to the PA Department of Transportation for a grant of \$455,000 under the provisions of Sections 1310 and 1312(b) of the Public Transportation Law, Act 26 of 1991. Funds are to be used for capital equipment for the provision of Demand Responsive Shared-Ride Transportation Service, preferentially for Senior Citizens.

Moved: Mr. Seamans **Seconded: Mr. Bader**
Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Mr. Bader
Motion carried.

Motion to approve the following MR Waiver service contract amendments for 2005-2006 as recommended by the Mercer County MH/MR Administrator and by the Mercer County Behavioral Health Commission, Inc., Board of Directors.

Funding Source	Provider	05/06 Funding Maximum	Amendment Funding Increase / (Decrease)	05/06 Contract Maximum
MR Waiver	Diversified Family Services Hermitage	\$1,731,741	\$227,155	\$1,958,896
MR Waiver	MCAR Hermitage	\$4,761,939	(\$10,551)	\$4,751,388

Moved: Mr. Seamans **Seconded: Mr. Bader**
Voted yes: Mr. Bader, Mr. Seamans
Motion carried.

Motion to approve the following MR Waiver service contract amendments for 2006-2007 as recommended by the Mercer County MH/MR Administrator and by the Mercer County Behavioral Health Commission, Inc., Board of Directors.

Funding Source	Provider	06/07 Funding Maximum	Amendment Funding Increase / (Decrease)	06/07 Contract Maximum
MR Waiver	Community Counseling Center Hermitage	\$19,500	(\$1,125)	\$18,375
MR Waiver	Diversified Family Services Hermitage	\$1,980,277	(\$53,332)	\$1,926,945
MR Waiver	Goodwill Industries Uniontown	\$20,390	\$19,492	\$39,882
MR Waiver	William Schreckengost Mercer	\$7,680	\$7,280	\$14,960
MR Waiver	Whole Life Services Sharon	\$648,018	(\$5,454)	\$642,564

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Bader

Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Mr. Bader

Motion carried.

Motion to approve the following MR Waiver service new contract for 2006-2007 as recommended by the Mercer County MH/MR Administrator and by the Mercer County Behavioral Health Commission, Inc., Board of Directors.

Funding Source	Provider	Type of Service	06/07 Unit Rate	06/07 Contract Maximum
MR Waiver	Erie Homes for Children and Adults, Inc. Erie	Out of Home 24-Hour Enhanced Respite	\$360.10/day	\$7,202.00

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Bader

Voted yes: Mr. Bader, Mr. Seamans

Motion carried.

Motion to appoint Vanessa M. Philson, 752 Forrester Rd., Mercer, PA 16137, to the Mercer County Agricultural Development Council (Term: 1/1/07- 12/31/09).

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Bader

Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Mr. Bader

Motion carried.

Motion to re-appoint the following to the Mercer County Agricultural Development Council (Terms: 1/1/07- 12/31/09):

**John B. Courtney
62 Courtney Lane
Mercer, PA 16137**

**Joseph Phillips
460 N. Stonebase Rd.
Mercer, PA 16137**

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Bader

Voted yes: Mr. Bader, Mr. Seamans

Motion carried.

Motion to accept the following resignation from the Mercer County Solid Waste Authority:

**Mark Petrillo
139 Shenango Blvd.
Farrell, PA 16121**

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Bader

Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Mr. Bader

Motion carried.

Motion to enter into a contract with HHS DR, Inc., 40 Shenango Avenue, Sharon PA, to design a new court facility for Magisterial District 33-5-02, Pine Twp., Grove City, PA, effective March 12, 2007. The costs are as follows: 6% of construction cost of design; \$5,000 per month for contract administration during construction; \$10,000 for storm water management; \$7,000 for erosion and sediment control plan, as needed; \$13,000 for DEP sewage modules, as needed; and \$9,000 for building code compliance, as needed.

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Bader

Voted yes: Mr. Bader, Mr. Seamans

Motion carried.

Motion to ratify the contract with the Teamsters Local 250 (Prison Guards) as agreed to by the Arbitration Panel. Contract is effective 1-1-06 to 12-31-08.

Moved: Mr. Seamans

Seconded: Mr. Bader

Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Mr. Bader

Motion carried.

