

MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 25, 2010

Members Present: Brian Bader, Kenneth R. Ammann, John N. Lechner

Pledge of Allegiance:

Others Present: Michael DeForest, Jeff Greenburg, Jennifer Hamilton, Tim Hofius, Michelle Kardasz, John Logan, Bill Madden, Rhonda McClelland, Ginny Richardson, Russ Saylor, Mark Williams Media Phil Rau, Matt Snyder, Chris Conti Regional Planning, Literacy Council Members and other concerned citizens.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None

Motion to approve February 3, 2010 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Bader

Motion to approve February 10, 2010 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Bader

Motion to approve February 17, 2010 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Bader

Motion to approve February 11, 2010 Commissioners' Meeting minutes.

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Bader

Motion to approve a proclamation to proclaim March as Mercer County's Literacy Awareness Month.

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Bader

Motion to approve a proclamation to recognize Richard McMahon as the Irishman of the Year

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Bader

Hermitage House Youth Services, Inc.	Shelter Care	\$219.50
	SIL – Males	\$165.56
	SIL-Phase 1-Males	\$135.00
	SIL-Phase 2-Males	\$ 97.45
	SIL-Females	\$171.76
	SIL-Phase 1-Females	\$135.00
	SIL-Phase 2-Females	\$ 97.45
	Group Home/Shelter	\$216.00
	Group Home/Shelter	\$165.56
	Group Home/Shelter	\$190.56
	Spec.GH/Shelter	\$211.80
	Group Home/Shelter	\$220.00
	High Impact Program	\$30.00/hour
	Diagnostic Screening	\$51.41 + Res. Rate
	Sexual Assessment	\$54.43 + Res. Rate
	ADAPT-sex offender	\$19.44 + Res. Rate
	ADAPT-Aftercare-grp	\$25.00/hour
	ADAPT-Aftercare-ind	\$50.00/hour
	ADAPT-Aftercare-fam	\$45.00/hour
	Transportation	\$16.77/hr/staff + IRS rate
Keystone Adolescent Center	Day Treatment	\$12.00/hour
	KIIP-Intensive Intervention	\$20.00/hour
	In-Home Counseling	\$24.00/hour
	Community Support-Dep	\$88,648/year
	Community Support-Del	\$128,524/year
	Adolescent Centers-Boys	\$149.00
	Residential Center-Girls	\$159.00
	Independent Living	\$130.00
	Transitional Living	\$140.00
	Foster Care	\$75.00
Independent Living Grant	\$107,556.00/yearly	
Laura Walker Project, Inc.	Expectant Mothers	\$188.22
	Baby Addition	\$40.30
NHS Youth Services	Sex Offenders	\$275.00
	Intensive Secure	\$246.00
	Intermediate Secure	\$235.00
	Intermediate Open	\$225.54
	RENEW	\$229.45
	VCORE	\$147.00
	CAS Program	\$147.00
Building Bridges	\$245.00	

Motion to accept a grant of \$17,475 from the Office of Child Development and Early Learning of the PA Departments of Education and Public Welfare, Harrisburg, PA, for the period January 1 – September 30, 2010, for Kindergarten Transition Planning for Early Childhood Community Engagement. This is a competitive, supplemental grant to the Early Childhood Community Engagement Initiative. No County match is required. Frasier Zahniser of the Cooperative Extension Office is the project director.

**Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader**

Motion to approve sub-grant agreements for 2010 Early Childhood Community Engagement Transition Activities with the following school districts as their plans are approved: \$1000 each for Commodore Perry, Farrell, Greenville, Hermitage, Jamestown, Sharpsville and \$3000 for Sharon which has 3 elementary schools. The entire amount is paid from the previously approved grant of the same name. Under the sub-grants, each participating school district will develop a community transition plan with parents, teachers, and the community to assist students in smoother transitions from pre-school to kindergarten.

**Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader**

Motion to enter into an agreement for surveying and design services with Wallace and Pancher, Inc. of Hermitage, Pa. Work to be performed at Munnell Run Farm for the access road relocation project not to exceed \$8,830.00. The cost of the contract is reimbursable from the DCNR grant which is in place and will expire 12-31-10.

**Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader**

**Motion to reappoint the following MH/MR Advisory Board Members for the identified three year terms: Steven Navarra: April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2012
Lizette Olsen: May 1, 2009 through April 30, 2012
Davina Sowers: July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2012**

**Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader**

Motion to accept the recommendations of the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission to fully fund the projects in the order of their ranking. Based upon last year’s allocations only \$263,821 was available for projects, and we anticipate similar funding this year. These allocations are based upon the projected receipt of funding the exact amount of which has not yet been confirmed. Should the amount actually awarded differ from this projected amount, the individual allocations will be adjusted proportionately.

Ranking	Municipality/Agency	Project	Amt. Requested
1.	Mercer Borough	Street Improvements – ADA Curb Ramp	\$84,000
2.	Hempfield Township	Clearance and Demolition – Two Houses	\$13,208
3.	Wolf Creek Township	Road Reconstruction - Hemlock Road	\$39,600
4.	Wheatland Borough	Clearance and Demolition – Five Houses	\$25,000
5. (tie)	Literacy Council of Mercer County	Public Service – “Relocating the Dislocated Worker”	\$29,831
5. (tie)	Jackson Township/Jackson Center Borough	Housing Rehabilitation	\$60,000
7.	Medical Equipment Recycling	Public Service - Equipment Purchase	\$5,000
8.	Children’s Aid Society	Public Service – “Childhood Trauma Initiative”	\$5,000

Moved: Mr. Lechner **Seconded: Mr. Ammann**
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to purchase Priority Dispatch Software, in the amount of\$ 76,469.50, from Priority Dispatch Corporation, 139 E. South Temple, 5th Floor, Salt Lake City, UT 84111. This is funded from the Wireless 911 Surcharge Fund Interest was has approved by PEMA on 9-21-09.

Moved: Mr. Lechner **Seconded: Mr. Ammann**
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to approve the following personnel actions:

NAME	POSITION	EFFECTIVE	LEVEL/STEP/GRADE
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SEPARATION OF EMPLOYMENT:

CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES:

Jaymene Svirbly	Caseworker	3/3/2010	
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CORRECTIONS:

CONTROLLER'S OFFICE:

Mary Ann Star	Sr. Procedure Clerk	2/15/2010	TCC 06-02-01 (Was incorrectly listed)
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TRANSFERS:

JUDGE DOBSON'S COURTROOM:

Alisha Glasgow	Court Stenographer	3/01/2010	No pay change
	Transfer from Judge St. John's Courtroom		

JUDGE FORNELLI'S COURTROOM:

Melissa Keating	Lead Court Reporter	3/01/2010	No pay change
	Replacing Selah Mimna as Lead Court Reporter		

JUDGE ST. JOHN'S COURTROOM:

Diane Brown	Court Stenographer	3/01/2010	No pay change
	Transfer from Judge Dobson's Courtroom		

NEW HIRES:

MH/MR:

Michelle L. Anthony	FT Mental Retardation Program Specialist	3/8/2010	P&A 06-00-01
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Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Bader

Motion to ratify the attached previously approved expenditures dated 2-09-10 to 2-22-10.

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Bader

Motion to Approve the following Exoneration(s) being granted as listed:

<u>Tax Collector</u>	<u>Taxing District</u>	<u>County</u> <u>Per Capita Tax</u>	<u>County Per</u> <u>Capita Tax - TBC</u>	<u>Tax</u> <u>Year</u>
Debra K Schnur	Clark Borough	\$10.00		2009
Frank H Vanderslice	Greenville Borough	\$5.00		2009
Matthew Fischer	Grove City Borough	\$1,985.00		2009
Susan Tomson	Jackson Twp	\$10.00		2009
JoAnn Donner Goodlin	Jamestown Boro	\$5.00		2009
A J Kovach	Sharpsville Boro	\$1,635.00		2009
Debera Tomon	West Salem Twp	\$275.00		2009
Debera Tomon	West Salem Twp	\$145.00		2009
Esther Viglio	Wheatland Boro	<u>\$50.00</u>		2009
William H Blatt	Hempfield Twp		\$770.00	2009
Bernadette Harry	Hermitage City		\$6,100.00	2009
JoAnn Donner Goodlin	Jamestown Boro		\$435.00	2009
		TOTAL:	\$11,425.00	

Moved: Mr. Lechner

Seconded: Mr. Ammann

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Old Business: None

New Business: None

Public Comment: Dr. Rettinger of Literacy Council thanked the Board for support of their CDBG request. Mr. Deforest reminded all that March 1 is the deadline for Homestead Applications to be filed. The Mayor of Wheatland thanked the Board for their support of the CDBG project.

Questions of the Media: Were answered

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Mr. Lechner

Seconded: Mr. Ammann

Mercer County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Chief Clerk