

MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

August 11, 2011

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

Pledge of Allegiance: Was held

Others Present: Tom Amundsen, Darlene Artman, Kim Cathcart, Michael DeForest, Liz Fair, Leslie Hite, Tim Hofius, Bill Madden, Dawn Mariacher, Ginny Richardson, Caleb Cathcart, Matt McConnell, Media Lauren Mylo, Phil Rau

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None

Motion to approve July 27, 2011 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

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

Motion to approve August 3, 2011 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

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

Motion to approve July 28, 2011 Commissioners' Meeting minutes.

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

Motion to approve a proclamation to recognize Joseph Plawky on the occasion of his 100th birthday.

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

Motion to approve a proclamation to recognize Caleb L. Cathcart for his achievement in receiving the Eagle Scout Award, the highest honor conferred in Scouting.

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

Motion to supplement reimbursement agreement 010P48-B between the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation and Mercer County to increase preliminary engineering costs from \$231,400 to \$261,400 for Mercer County Bridge 2303 on Kelly Road in Hermitage. This project is funded 80% federal, 15% state and 5% Act 26.

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

Motion to approve the following Ag Land Preservation Board member appointments:

Barry Struthers 1 year term 7-1-11 to 6-30-12.

Dan Williams 3 year term 7-1-11 to 6-30-14

Dave Watson 3 year reappointment from 7-1-11 to 6-30-14

John Ligo one year reappointment as chairman 7-1 to 6-30-12.

Moved: Mr. Lechner

Seconded: Mr. Ammann

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

Motion to approve the reappointment of Charles M. Bestwick of Sharon, Pa. to the Mercer County Industrial Authority for a five year term from 9-01-11 to 8-31-16.

Moved: Mr. Lechner

Seconded: Mr. Ammann

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

Motion to enter into purchase of service agreements on behalf of Mercer County Children and Youth Services with the following service providers:

Alternative Energy Youth Farm	Transitional Living	\$211.18
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Glen Mills Schools	Residential Services	\$129.32
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Northwestern Human Services, Inc.	Foster Care – Plus	\$84.10
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	Foster Care – Respite	\$90.00
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	Foster Care – Infant	\$40.00
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	Foster Care – Emergency Respite	\$120.00
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	Foster Care – Therapeutic	\$28.72
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	Foster Care – Infant w/dep Mother	\$68.72
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	Foster Care – Mother w/infant	\$124.10
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	Canal Ways Center	\$92.68
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	CRR Residential - Boys	\$59.50
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	CRR Residential - Girls	\$46.65
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	CRR Residential - Transitional	\$47.25
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Phoenix Youth Services	Residential Services	\$175.88
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Effective July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011.

Moved: Mr. Lechner

Seconded: Mr. Ammann

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

Old Business: None

New Business:

Motion to into an agreement for the purchase of a BAS licensing system including first year's software support and maintenance and the installation and training of the system in the Treasurer's Office. The supplier is Business Automated Systems Clinton New York. The cost is not to exceed \$20,000.00 with \$10,000.00 to be paid from the Records Improvement Fund.

Moved: Mr. Ammann

Seconded: Mr. Lechner

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

Public Comment: Liz Fair spoke regarding the recent power outage and questioned the information which was conveyed regarding the length of time the power would be off and also who makes the determination to close the Courthouse. Commissioner Beader stated that at the time they were relying on information being conveyed from the Power Company and that the Courthouse was not closed as several hearings were in process and the Courts desired to remain open. Other offices were given direction to utilize their judgment as to whether they could remain open or not.

Commissioner Ammann also noted that the warning issued for drought conditions is impacting some areas of the County.

Questions of the Media: Were answered

Motion to adjourn.

Moved:

Seconded:

Mercer County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Chief Clerk