The third regular meeting of December of the Pike County Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Caridi at 9:00 a.m. at the Pike County Administration Building, followed by the “Pledge of Allegiance” to the flag. An opening prayer was offered by Pastor CJ Messina of Lost & Found Bible Outreach, Milford.

PRESENT: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner; Chief Clerk Orben and Solicitor Farley.

Public Comments/Questions concerning today’s agenda.

Bill Kiger, Head of the Friends of Marie Zimmerman, gave brief history of Marie Zimmerman and then presented the book “The Jewelry & Metalwork of Marie Zimmermann” to the Commissioners.

Motion: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to recess the Commissioners’ Meeting to hold a Retirement Board Meeting.

Vote: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

A RETIREMENT BOARD MEETING WAS HELD.

Motion: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to reconvene the Commissioners’ Meeting.

Vote: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the December 21, 2011 Agenda.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to approve the December 14, 2011 Commissioners Meeting Minutes.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the December 20, 2011 Conference Minutes.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi and Hummel voted ‘aye’. Commissioner Wagner abstained due to his absence. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to approve payment of the COUNTY BILLS, in the amount of $257,586.80, with several subject to further review.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment from BOND ACCOUNT SERIES B (EMS Bldg.-Dec. 2011) in the amount of $236,161.15.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to approve payment from PC EMPLOYEES’ HEALTH INS. FUND in the amount of $81,989.06.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to award the bid for the fresh bread and baked goods for the Pike County Correctional Facility to Sara Lee (Earth Grains Baking Co.) in the amount of $42,904.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to execute the Contract Amendment Letter between Zelenkofske Axelrod and the County of Pike, to adjust the scope of services and related fees to the audit services for the year ended December 31, 2011.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to authorize the Chairman to execute the Sixth Amendment to the Agreements of Exchange between the PA Department of General Services and the County of Pike, for the proposed transfer of the existing DOT maintenance facility and County property in Blooming Grove.

VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.
MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to authorize the Chairman to execute the FY 2012-13 Certification Form for authorized use of 9-1-1 funds, on behalf of the Communications Center.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to execute the PCCD Juvenile Accountability Block Grant for the Graduations Sanctions Project for $10,000 on behalf of the Juvenile Probation Office.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to execute the FY 2011-12 Purchase of Service Agreement between Lackawanna County Detention Center and the County of Pike, on behalf of Children & Youth Services.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Hummel and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to authorize the Chairman to execute the modification to the current grant contract between Pinchot Institute for Conservation studies and the County of Pike, to extend the contract to October 31, 2012, on behalf of the Planning Office.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Hummel, to approve the revision to the SRCP Comprehensive Program Manual, as recommended by the Scenic Rural Character Preservation Board, to add the following: “Applicants of approved projects may request, in writing, the desired payment distribution schedule and include a compelling justification”.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Hummel and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS: None.

Questions and comments were opened to the Public and the Press.

ADJOURNMENT. THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE PIKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 28, 2011, AT 9:00 A.M., AT THE PIKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!