Wednesday, March 28, 2012
The fourth regular meeting of March 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.

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

Public Comments/Questions concerning today's agenda.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the March 28, 2012 Agenda.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the March 21, 2012 Commissioners’ Meeting Minutes.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the March 20, 2012 Commissioners’ Conference Minutes.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment of the COUNTY BILLS, in the amount of $566,075.23, subject to further review.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment from HOTEL TAX FUND (Brochure Distr.), in the amount of $5,500.00.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to approve payment from ACT 44 FUND (Bridge Inspections), in the amount of $63,343.56. Chief Clerk Orben stated that this is payment for the semi-annual bridge inspections of County bridges (18) along with township bridges. The $63,343.56 is the total cost to the engineers of the bridge inspections, 80% of that amount is reimbursed by the state, 20% is the local municipalities share. The total out of pocket cost to the county is $6,282.10.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment from PC EMPLOYEES’ HEALTH INS. FUND, in the amount of $116,920.24.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment from HAZ. MAT. RESP. FUND (Bucks College Training Membership), in the amount of $800.00.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment from EMERGENCY RESPONSE & TRAINING GRANT (EMS Building 3/14-28), in the amount of $86,245.17.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to execute the Contract Documents between Grimm Construction and the County of Pike, for the Pike County Correctional Facility Roof Replacement Project.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to open bids received for the leasing of approximately 80 acres of tillable fields for the purpose of planting for the 2012 growing season.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

Solicitor Farley opened the only bid received which was from Julio Santos in the amount of $2,500.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to award the bid for the leasing of approximately 80 acres of tillable fields for the purpose of planting for the 2012 growing season, to Julio Santos for $2,500.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to open bids received for a 1998 Mercury Mountaineer, VIN #4M2ZU55P7WU19612, 254,211 miles, $500 minimum bid, AS IS.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

There were no bids received. It was recommended to contact salvage facilities to dispose of the vehicle.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to open bids received for the
Countywide Recycling Program Drop-Off Program.

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

Solicitor Farley opened bids from the following vendors: Waste Management and Greenway Consulting. As there were different prices for each variable, the Solicitor stated that the bids needed to be analyzed and reviewed.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to table the bids received for the Countywide Recycling Program Drop-Off Program until April 25, 2012 for review by the Solicitor and Recycling Coordinator.

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

NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to adopt Resolution No. 12-12, C.A.S.U.A.L. Day, March 29, 2012, which was read by Commissioner Wagner.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to adopt Resolution No. 12-13, Authorizing the Revision of the Budget for Pike County’s 2010 Community Development Block Grant Program, which was read by Commissioner Osterberg. Commissioner Caridi explained that this resolution is necessary to transfer funds within the CDBG Program to pay for the Porter Township roof replacement which came in over budget.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to execute the Contract Documents between Grimm Construction and the County of Pike, for the CDBG Porter Township Roof Replacement Project.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to authorize the Chairman to execute Change Order No. 27 between Grimm Construction and the County of Pike, for burn building doors and railings, and to furnish and install lift station shut off valve, for an increase of $7,436.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to authorize the Chairman to execute the Proposal from Forrest & Sons Brochure Distribution for the 2012 Pike County Map and Magazines’ distribution, as recommended by the Hotel Tax Board.

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

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to authorize the Chairman to execute a grant signature page and execute a grant resolution page for a 2012 Pike County planning grant to PA DCNR Community Conservation Partnership Program (C2P2) for the development of a Lackawaxen Upper Delaware Greenway Plan. Sally Corrigan, Planning Director, stated that this is an opportunity to begin to develop and implement the Lackawaxen Upper Delaware Greenway Plan. The area designated is from the northern tip of the County at the Wayne County border, along the Delaware, down to the Sawkill Creek in Milford. Included in that greenway also would be the Pike County section of the Lackawaxen River. There are six municipalities in Pike County along this corridor who have recently completed multi-municipal comprehensive plans and open space plans with recommendations and goals. All of these plans together will be combined into an Action Plan that will focus along both the river corridors. The overall project is approximately $61,000. DCED is being asked for $30,000 and matching that with staff in-kind professional services.

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

MISCELLANEOUS:

Commissioner Wagner addressed the ordinance regarding the gas wells impact fee. It was learned through the Governor’s office and the PUC, that counties that do not have unconventional gas wells cannot pass the impact fee ordinance, until such time as counties do have unconventional gas wells. The Commissioners will receive a confirmation in writing from the PUC, that if and when county has unconventional gas wells it can pass an ordinance collecting impact fees. Commissioner Osterberg stated that, at the CCAP conference that he and Commissioner Wagner attended, they spoke to many people with many different opinions regarding the ordinance. The end result was the opinion that the County should not pass the ordinance because it could place requirements on municipalities in the County that they don’t need to adhere to at this time because there are no spud wells.

Colonel Eugene Goldner, an Officer of the Vietnam Veterans of America, read House Resolution No. 579 recently passed dedicating March 30th as “Welcome Home Vietnam Veterans Day” in Pennsylvania.

Sally Corrigan, Planning Director, presented the Pike County Planning Commission 2011 Annual Report of Activities, and outlined some of the highlights of the report.

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, APRIL 4, 2012, AT 9:00 A.M., AT THE PIKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.