Wednesday, April 11, 2012

The second regular meeting of April 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 Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to approve the April 11, 2012 Agenda.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve the April 4, 2012 Commissioners’ Meeting Minutes.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Commissioner Caridi abstained due to his absence. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to approve payment of the COUNTY BILLS, in the amount of $228,688.02, subject to further review.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to approve payment from HOTEL TAX FUND (Lock Data-April), in the amount of $475.00.
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 $147,093.40.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL:

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to hire BENJAMIN SCOTT, as an Aging Care Manager I for the Area Agency on Aging, for a 40 hour work week, effective April 16, 2012, with benefits after 90 days. This is a replacement position.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to hire JOHN GALASSO, as a part-time Van Driver for the Transportation Office, for less than 1000 hours per year, effective April 16, 2012, with no benefits. This is a replacement position.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to hire JOSEPH MASIE, as a part-time Van Driver for the Transportation Office, for less than 1000 hours per year, effective April 16, 2012, with no benefits. This is to fill a newly created position.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

Motion: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to recess the Commissioners’ Meeting to hold a Salary Board Meeting.
Vote: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

A SALARY BOARD MEETING WAS HELD.

Motion: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to reconvene the Commissioners’ Meeting.
Vote: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to open bids received for the following vehicles: 1998 GMC Safari AWD Van, VIN #1GKEL19W3WS57134, 244,000 miles, minimum bid $500, AS IS; and a 2005 Ford Eldorado 14 passenger van, VIN #1FDFE45S15HA09828, 135,000 miles, minimum bid $3,500, AS IS.
VOTE: Commissioners Caridi, Osterberg and Wagner voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

No bids were received.
NEW BUSINESS:

MOTION: by Commissioner Osterberg and seconded by Commissioner Wagner, to adopt Resolution No. 12-16, Proclamation, Week of the Young Child, April 22-28, 2012, which was read by Commissioner Osterberg.

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

Jill Gamboni, CCIS Director, invited everyone to a week full of events during the Week of the Young Child. The kick-off event will take place at Airport Park on April 22 from 2 to 4:30 p.m. There will be many crafts for the children to do, also other services such as lead screening, Head-Start, dental services, etc. A parade will be held on April 25 through the Pike County Commissioners meeting and through Milford at 10 a.m. Then on April 27 a recognition event will be held at the Erie Trackside Manor to honor those that work with early childhood education.

MOTION: by Commissioner Wagner and seconded by Commissioner Osterberg, to execute the PCCD Grant “Technology Advancing Central Court” Application, on behalf of the District Attorney’s Office.

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

District Attorney Ray Tonkin explained that the District Attorney’s office applied, through a concept paper, to the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency for funding for a central court program in Pike County. The County has now been invited by PCCD to submit a formal grant application. Criminal proceedings are held at the four magisterial district justice offices in Pike County. This central court program would consolidate any preliminary hearing, which is a hearing on misdemeanor or felony, into one of those courts. Also proposed are early dispositions for certain offenders in front of the Magisterial District Judges. The last part of the package is to expand the use of the electronic document imaging system currently in place. Hearing notices and things associated with the hearing would be delivered to the County office through electronic transmission which would save the County money on paper handling and postage.

MISCELLANEOUS:

Lana Romeo, representative of the Area Agency on Aging, announced that a program for those age 50 and older will be offered as part of the Healthy Steps Program. The program will give information about health care, exercise, home safety, etc. The agency will receive money to help homebound people, and people in need of heating fuel and food. There will be three sessions held from 9am-3pm on April 13th will be in Milford at Belle Reve. It will be held at the Blooming Grove Center on April 20th, and will be at the Bushkill Vol. Fire Company on May 19th. There will be drawings for gift cards for food, gas, etc. at each event. A free lunch will be served.

Commissioner Caridi reminded everyone that the Pike County Fishing Derby will be held this Saturday, April 14th at Lily Pond from 8 am until noon. Stocking of the fish will be on the evening of Friday, April 13th. Prizes will be awarded to the children. Commissioner Caridi introduced members of Wal-Mart of Matamoras who presented the Commissioners with a $1,000 check for the Fishing Derby. Wal-Mart donates to the Fishing Derby every year.

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 18, 2012, AT 9:00 A.M., AT THE PIKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.