Wednesday, May 1, 2019
The first regular meeting of May 2019 of the Pike County Commissioners was called to order by Commissioner Osterberg at 9:00 a.m. at the Pike County Administration Building, followed by the “Pledge of Allegiance” to the flag.

PRESENT: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini; Chief Clerk Orben; Solicitor Farley.

Public Comments/Questions concerning today’s agenda.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to approve the May 1, 2019 Agenda.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to approve the April 17, 2019 Commissioners’ Meeting Minutes.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to approve the April 11, 17, 23 and 25, 2019 Commissioners’ Conference Minutes.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to approve payment from GENERAL FUND (County Bills), in the amount of $257,144.81, subject to further review.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to approve payment from ACT 13 FUND (PCL&P-Mott St. Electric Relocation), in the amount of $33,743.37.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

PERSONNEL:
MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to acknowledge receipt of a letter from the Courts advising that CHRISTINE STALLONE has been hired as a temporary part time Clerk for District Magistrate Fischer’s Office, for less than 1000 hours per year, effective April 29, 2019, with no benefits. This is a temporary position.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to acknowledge receipt of a letter from Warden Craig Lowe advising that he has hired, with Prison Board approval, the following individuals as full time Correctional Officers for the Correctional Facility, for a 40 hour work week, effective May 6, 2019, with benefits after 90 days: ANTHONY CAMMARATA, MOISES OLIVO and CARL GRAHAM.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to receive a letter from Warden Craig Lowe advising that he has hired, with Prison Board approval, XIARA ALBERTO as a temporary Intern for the Correctional Facility, for 140 hours, effective July 29, 2019, with no benefits. This is a temporary summer intern position.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to hire PAT DEFRANCESCO, JR. to fill the General Maintenance position for the Maintenance Department, for a 40 hour work week, effective June 3, 2019, with no health benefits as they are currently not needed by Mr. DeFrancesco. This is a newly created full time position.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to transfer LINDA MURPHY from the Recorder of Deeds Office to the Area Agency on Aging Office as an Aging Care Manager II, for a 40 hour work week, effective May 6, 2019, with continued benefits. This is a replacement position.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

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

A SALARY BOARD MEETING WAS HELD.

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

OLD BUSINESS: None.

NEW BUSINESS:
MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to adopt Resolution No. 19-11, Tick Borne Diseases Awareness Into Action Month – May 2019, which was read by Commissioner Guccini.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

Commissioner Osterberg announced that it was in August of 2014 when he was introduced to Mikki Weiss by John H. Klemeyer, Esquire, who explained the seriousness of what was going on in our County when it came to tick borne
diseases. At our next regular Commissioners’ meeting we were educated about tick borne diseases and it was a full schooling. We had met a number of times at the Pike County Commissioners’ Office after that and discussed what we needed to do at a County level. In May of 2015 an official Pike County Tick Borne Disease Task Force was formed, although an unofficial private sector tick borne disease task force was already formed - to the credit of Mikki Weiss. This is a special day for Mikki Weiss- we at the County have appreciated everything you have done for the residents of the County and we would like to present this plaque to give you and hang one in the County in recognition of Mikki Weiss. The plaque was read by Commissioner Osterberg and presented to Mikki Weiss. In addition, a Representative on behalf of Representative Rosemary Brown’s office, Representative Mike Pfeifer’s office and State Senator Lisa Baker’s office thanked Mikki Weiss and also presented Mikki Weiss with a plaque in Special Recognition from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. Thank you Mikki Weiss!

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to adopt Resolution No. 19-12, Conservation District Week – May 5-11, 2019, which was read by Commissioner Schmalzle.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to adopt Resolution No. 19-13, Bladder Cancer Awareness Month – May 2019, which was read by Commissioner Osterberg.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to authorize the Chairman to execute Change Order #15 between Bognet and the County of Pike relating to the Courthouse Addition, for an additional $1,589.69 due to an accounting error on Change Order #3.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to execute Amendment #1 to the Marcellus Mini-Grant Agreement between Lackawaxen Township and the County of Pike for an extension through November 30, 2019 for the Fishing Dock Replacement Project at Akenac Park, as recommended by the Scenic Rural Character Preservation Board.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to execute Amendment #1 to the Marcellus Mini-Grant Agreement between Delaware Township and the County of Pike for an extension through July 31, 2019 for the Sunrise Park-Accessible Trail and Picnic Grove Project, as recommended by the Scenic Rural Character Preservation Board.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to execute the Agreement for Fire Fighting and EMS Training between the PA State Fire Commissioner, the PA State Fire Academy and the County of Pike, on behalf of the Emergency Management Agency.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to authorize the Chairman to exercise the Agreement Between Pike County and the County of Delaware for the Senior Rental Assistance Voucher for payment to Delaware Run in the amount of $2,128 for May 2019.
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MOTION: by Commissioner Guccini and seconded by Commissioner Schmalzle, to authorize the Chairman to execute the Senior Rental Assistance Voucher for payment to Delaware Run in the amount of $2,128 for May 2019.
VOTE: Commissioners Osterberg, Schmalzle and Guccini voted ‘aye’. Motion carried.

MISCELLANEOUS:

- Penn State Extension Schedule of Events – May 1-15, 2019. Angela Smith from Penn State Extension stated that the Reality Tour is coming up and supports all of their members and their efforts in drug prevention and education throughout the County. She also reported that the Statewide PROSPER Team will be meeting next month and Luke Boblett from Atlantic Health will be presenting about the Parent Life Skills Training and we will start to implement and promote that more in our County.

- Angela Smith also stated that 4-H is working with the Opioid Task Force to reduce the stigma associated with substance abuse and to reduce the stigma associated with 4-H that it is only for farm use and agriculture. She reported that she is halfway through in finding her Board. She is looking for 8 members and has 4. She needs 4 more adult volunteers to be part of her Program Development Committee, which is basically a volunteer governing Board Council for the 4-H Programs. We have engineering design challenges, cooking contests and science and technology programs, it is so much more than agricultural programs.

- Pike County Workforce Development Agency – Job Fair 2019. Cynthia DeFebo announced that the Job Fair last month had 72 employers present and just over 350 job seekers. Directories were circulated at the job fair and every page contains a complete listing and contact information. The directory is available at the Workforce Development Office and on the Pike County Website www.pikepa.org. Cynthia DeFebo thanked everybody that helped out and all the volunteers and the Commissioners’ support printing the books. Commissioner Osterberg added that the reverse job fair was the first one held by Fitzmaurice. Fitzmaurice is an agency that deals with people with disabilities and the first reverse job fair was held before the actual job fair began. Individuals that are clients of that organization set
up a booth of their own and have the employers go through and they showed them what their skills were. Three or four people did get hired. It was employees standing there with their resumes and boards and pictures on it and talked about what they have done in their lives. Cynthia DeFebo said they call it “turning the tables of the job fair” and it really was nice, it went very well. Commissioner Guccini thanked Tom Deangelo of the Commissioners’ Office-for fighting all kinds of computer glitches and printer issues and for the 500 copies made of the Directory.

PRESS & PUBLIC COMMENTS/QUESTIONS/ADJOURNMENT: THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE PIKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2019, AT 9:00 A.M., AT THE PIKE COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.