

The regular meeting of the Clearfield County Commissioners scheduled for November 6, 2007 was held on Tuesday, October 30, 2007 at 10:00 A.M. with Chairman Read conducting the meeting.

The following were in attendance: Commissioners McCracken and Lytle; Kim Kesner, Solicitor; Claudia Read, Controller; Leland Condon, Contractor; Aaron Evans and Dawn Walls, gantdaily.com; Dena Bosak, Courier Express; Jeff Coricino, Progress; Bill Gillen, WOKW; Lisa McFadden, Chief Clerk.

Minutes of the previous meeting of October 16, 2007 were approved by motion of Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Lytle; motion carried unanimously.

Controller Read presented the following bills for approval: General Fund, \$1,517,504.00; Liquid Fuels Fund, \$18,513.83; Hazardous Materials Fund, \$10,306.20; 911 Fund, \$2117.25; Children Youth Services, \$8,272.23; Domestic Relations Fund, \$54,975.19; Small Communities Block Grant, \$5,853.00. Approval of the minutes by Commissioner Lytle, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

#### Personnel Issues

New Hires – Brett Lanich, Deputy Warden/Jail, effective October 22, 2007.

Phillip Turner, Temporary p/t Corrections Officer/Jail, effective October 30, 2007.

Robert Thomas, Planning Specialist/Planning, effective November 13, 2007.

Transfers - Tonya Weitosh, Caseworker/CYS to Caseworker Supervisor/CYS, effective November 5, 2007.

#### Resignation/Retirements

Tom Collins, f/t Telecommunicator, effective October 16, 2007.

#### Leave Requests

Dawn Sell, Corrections Officer requesting extended unpaid leave through January 1, 2008.

Approval of the personnel requests by Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Lytle; motion carried unanimously.

Public Comment – None

#### New Business

Chairman Read presented an amendment to the original submission of the Redevelopment Assistance Capital Project application for the Bionol Clearfield LLC Ethanol Plant. The allocation remains the same but the use of the funds have been revised. The RACP funds remain the same at \$13,250,000 with the total of this phase of the project at \$28,800,000. Approval of the amendment and authorize the Chairman's execution by motion of Commissioner Lytle, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

Commissioner McCracken presented the Pennsylvania Municipal Health Insurance Cooperative Agreement. The County is joining the cooperative to offer the County Employees a new dental insurance plan. The County currently offers dental insurance that is paid by the employee if they choose to participate. The new plan will provide more options such as orthodontic care and will be less expensive. Solicitor Kesner noted that the County must be a part of the Cooperative for three years and becoming part of the Cooperative must be done by Resolution or Ordinance. Motion to approve and accept the Cooperative Agreement by Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Lytle; motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Read presented Resolution 2007-#21 pledging our local support of DuFast Transit for the 2008-2009 Budget in the amount of \$9,475.25. Motion to adopt Resolution 2007-#21 by Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Lytle; motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Read presented Resolution 2007-#22 pledging our local support for the Area Transportation Authority for their fiscal year July 1, 2008 through June 30, 2009 in the amount of \$86,717.00. Motion to adopt Resolution 2007-#22 by Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Lytle; motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Read presented a Sales Option Agreement between the County and Leland Condon for Lot#6 at the Professional Office Park. Mr. Condon plans to construct 4 buildings on the 1.41 acre site that will hold 16 condominiums. Motion to approve the Sales Option Agreement by Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Lytle; motion carried unanimously.

Chief Clerk McFadden presented a Maintenance Agreement between the County and ES&S for ratification. The agreement was presented at the previous meeting the final cost was not calculated correctly and also some of the equipment purchased in 2007 was still under warranty and did not require three full years of maintenance coverage. The cost is for the three year period is \$96,105. Motion to approve the agreement by Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Chairman Read, Commissioner Lytle opposed; motion carried.

Chairman Read presented a Participation and Reimbursement Agreement between North Central, Elk, Jefferson, Cameron, McKean and Potter Counties for the purpose of reissuing the Bonds that cover the Itech buildings. The previous bonds had been guaranteed by Elk and Jefferson Counties, the reissue is being guaranteed by Elk, Jefferson and Cameron Counties. Clearfield County will participate but does not commit Clearfield County to any amount of guarantee of the Bond issue but as a member County, Clearfield County must sign off on it. Approval by motion of Commissioner Lytle, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

Chairman Read asked the Board to reappoint George Heigel to the North Central Workforce Investment Board for a three-year term. Approval of the appointment by Commissioner Lytle, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

Controller Read presented Resolution 2007-#23 Supplemental Appropriations in the amount of \$2,000 which is a transfer from the Hazmat budget to the General Fund as a reimbursement for gas/fuel used in the vehicles. Motion to adopt Resolution 2007-#23 by Commissioners Lytle, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

Commissioners Lytle presented a lease agreement between the County and Alan Les Turner for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Polling locations which was the former 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Fire Station. Mr. Turner purchased the building and has agreed to lease the building to the County on Election days. Motion to approve the lease by Commissioner Lytle, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.

Liquid Fuel allocation for Houtzdale Borough in the amount of \$1,047.69 was approved by motion of Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioners Lytle; motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor Kesner brought to the Boards attention that the County participated with the Clearfield Foundation in certain financing for Marathon Equipment at the Clearfield Industrial Park. The Foundation was the administrator of a PETA Loan and as a result of that transaction the Foundation took title to the land on which Marathon was built. Marathon has since paid off the obligation and the Foundation wishes to transfer title of the land to Marathon. The Foundation discovered that there was a County mortgage on the property from 1989 from at that time the Dept. of Community Affairs was the funding source and the County had to be the local sponsor and local lender for Marathon. Marathon has since paid that mortgage in full on 2004. Solicitor Kesner asked that the Board authorize the Chairman's execution of a mortgage satisfaction, so that Marathon may obtain a clear title to their land. Approval by motion of Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Lytle; motion carried unanimously.

Solicitor Kesner explained that he replied to PA Wastes request that the County include them in the County Solid Waste Plan. Mr. Kesner explained in his letter that the Commissioners position has not changed and are not interested in including them I the County Plan. PA Waste had also requested that the Commissioner meet with representatives of PA Waste and solicitor Kesner reminded them that could be a violation of the Sunshine Law and suggested that they attend a regular meeting or work session of the Commissioners.

The Commissioners sent copies of the Resolution passed two weeks ago opposing the tolling of I-80 to various State Senators and Representatives. Currently Representative Dan Surra has been the only one to respond and explain his reasoning for voting in favor of Act 44 to toll I-80. A letter and copy of the County Resolution will also be sent to the United States Senators and Congressmen that represent Clearfield County also. Commissioner Lytle said he was grateful that Rep. Surra replied to their letter, but disagrees with his reasons for voting for Act 44. Rep. Surra stated that his reason for supporting Act 44 was the need to provide funding for the States bridges and roads. Commissioner Lytle said he would like to see legislation specific that the toll money be used specifically for maintenance and repair of I-80 and has a concern that the money would be used for other things in the State like additional revenue for Philadelphia Transit Authority.

The Board felt it necessary to ask the Solicitor Kesner to send a letter to DEP opposing any additional extensions to Pa Waste with respect to answering questions concerning the proposed landfill in Boggs Township. Approval to authorize the Solicitor to send a letter to DEP by Commissioner McCracken, seconded by Commissioner Lytle; motion carried unanimously.

Motion to adjourn by Commissioner Lytle, seconded by Commissioner McCracken; motion carried unanimously.