

COMMISSIONERS' WORKSHOP MEETING

May 10, 2012

The Cumberland County Board of Commissioners met on Thursday, May 10, 2012, 10:00 a.m., Commissioners' Hearing Room, Courthouse, Carlisle, PA. Present were Commissioners Barbara Cross, Jim Hertzler and Gary Eichelberger; Dennis Marion, Chief Clerk; Ed Schorpp, Solicitor; Joanne Burkhart, Deputy Chief Clerk; Heather Ilgenfritz, Commissioners' Office; Janet Walter, Paralegal, Solicitor's Office; Karen Wolff, Mick Burkett, Human Resources; Dana Best, Tammy Bender, Sherry Byers, Finance; Jack Carroll, Evelyn Reese, Drug & Alcohol; Wendy Hoverter, Children & Youth; Linda McCulloch, MH/IDD; Eric Radnovich, Kelly Hogarth, District Attorney's Office; Karen DeWoody, Nancy Hahn, Claremont Nursing & Rehabilitation Center; Sam Coover, Janet Scott, Prison; Ted Wise, Doug Glass, Department of Public Safety; Sandy Gurreri, Deb Micklo, Office of Aging and Community Services; Ed LeClear, Housing & Redevelopment Authority; Kirk Stoner, Planning Department; Rose Cook, Transportation; Pat Slattery, Capital Projects Manager; Bill Finnerty, IMTO; Stephanie Tichenor, Carlisle Senior Center; Rausa Roscinski, Big Spring Senior Center; Anne Hinkle, Shippensburg Senior Center; Roak Parker, Department of Energy; Mary Jane Zeigler; Matt McLaughlin, The Sentinel; Dan Miller, The Patriot News.

Chief Clerk Dennis Marion called the meeting to order and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Chief Clerk Marion asked if there was any public comment, there was none.

The Board of Commissioners presented a Proclamation to Sandy Gurreri of the Office of Aging and Community Services, Stephanie Tichenor of the Carlisle Senior Center and Rausa Roscinski of the Big Spring Senior Center in Recognition of Older Americans proclaiming May 2012 as Older Americans Month (see attached).

The Board of Commissioners presented a Proclamation and Press Release in Recognition of National Nursing Home Week scheduled for May 13-19, 2012 to Karen DeWoody and Nancy Hahn of Claremont Nursing & Rehabilitation Center. There are numerous activities planned during this week (see attached).

Kirk Stoner updated the Commissioners regarding the Energy Efficiency Conservation Block Grant Program (EECBG). The original goal of the three year-old program was to reduce fossil fuel emissions, reduce total energy use and improve energy efficiency. Over sixty projects were submitted for funding totaling \$3.5 million. Mr. Stoner introduced Roak Parker from the U.S. Department of Energy in Denver, Colorado. Mr. Parker wished to thank Cumberland County for their ambitious work in completing a very successful plan (see attached).

Dana Best presented the 2012-13 Fiscal Budgets. Ms. Best requested the Board's permission to lay on view the 2012-13 Fiscal Budgets. This budget reflects a 5-10% adjustment of all funds. A brief discussion ensued. Commissioner Eichelberger moved to authorize Laying on View the 2012-13 Fiscal Budgets (see attached). Commissioner Hertzler seconded the motion and it unanimously carried.

Dana Best reviewed Resolution 2012-12 Re Budget Adjustments (see attached). This Resolution will be acted upon at the Board of Commissioners' meeting on May 14, 2012.

Ed LeClear presented for the Board's consideration a Five-Year Consolidated Plan Amendment: HOME Program Lease-Purchase Revision. A long-standing program is in place of HOME funds to support first-time low to moderate income home buyers. The Board of the non-profit company has asked Mr. LeClear to speak to the Commissioners about revising the first-time home-buyer activity to include a lease-purchase option. Mr. LeClear said he will need to contact HUD if the County authorizes this use (see attached).

Joanne Burkhart presented the following Contracts/Grants for the Board's consideration. Action is scheduled to be taken at the Board of Commissioners Meeting on Monday, May 14, 2012.

Wendy Hoverter stated the Agreement between Children's Home of Reading & Cumberland County Children & Youth Services is for a children's residential facility. There are no increases in cost.

Linda McCulloch presented for the Board's consideration, the following agreements: Amendment to Agreement with Central PA Supportive Services, Inc., is an IDD contract for an increase of \$25,647 to support individuals with job support. Loving Care Agency, Inc. & Adventure Inc. DBA Links2Care is a zero dollar business agreement and it is required by the State for medical assistance and waiver for consumers receiving services through Links2Care. Amendment to Agreement with Living Unlimited, Inc. (Early Intervention) is an EI contract amendment in the amount of \$5,449. It is an increase of \$809 and is for base-funded special instruction. Amendment to Agreement with Living Unlimited, Inc. (Mental Health) is an MH amendment in the amount of \$3,575 for family support and there is no increase. All of these agreements are fiscal-year amendments to contracts and none of them have an impact on the County match.

Jack Carroll presented for the Board's consideration the following agreements which are for the next fiscal year 2012-2013: Alder Health Services, Inc. specializes in providing HIV and AIDS prevention education and case management services. The maximum amount of the contract is \$8,000. Perry Human Services (Prevention) is in the amount of \$85,122 and it provides a range of prevention and early intervention services. Center for Behavioral Health HA, Inc. DBA Discovery House is a fee for service contract. The company will provide methadone out-patient treatment at the rate of \$105 per week. Holy Spirit Hospital (Maternal Assistance Program) is in the amount of \$257,790. It is the same amount as the current year funding. Mr. Carroll presented for the Board's consideration the following outpatient agreements: Gaudenzia, Inc., UHS of PA, Perry Human Services, NHS Human Services, The Stevens Center and Diakon Family Life Services. All five agreements are fee for service contracts. There will be no increases in rates. There is no contract amount on these agreements. They are for reimbursable services.

Ted Wise presented for the Board's consideration the following agreements: PA Dept. of Conservation & Natural Resources – Lease of Property for Radio Tower which is a no cost agreement renewal of a lease with regard to a radio tower placed on the property of the PA Department of Conservation & Natural Resources. L.R. Kimball – Consulting for EMS Paging is for a proposal to provide the Department of Public Safety assistance in determining how to best approach the issue of meeting the Federal Communications Commission's narrowbanding requirements. The contract cost is not to exceed \$48,000.

Karen DeWoody presented for the Board's consideration the following Waiver of Liability for Deloitte LLP Impact Day 2012 for Claremont Nursing & Rehabilitation Center (CNRC). It allows volunteers to come into CNRC and perform volunteer work on June 8, 2012. The company will enter the facility for one day with 40 volunteers: 12 of which are men to perform landscaping and the rest of the 24 volunteers will conduct an art fest and assist at a picnic.

Eric Radnovich presented for the Board's consideration the following Submission of Grant Application to the PA Department of Transportation for Sobriety Checkpoint & DUI-Underage Drinking Enforcement Program for the District Attorney's Office. It is a grant application for renewal of a PennDOT application for DUI enforcement for \$36,410. It is a no-match grant and it reflects no change from last year.

Kirk Stoner asked the Board for their consideration regarding the following agreements: Agreement between South Middleton Twp. and Cumberland County Planning Department Re Tree Vitalize Program is a grant program through the Department of Conservation & Natural Resources for tree planting. This is a grant for South Middleton Township for \$2,002 to plant trees. Submission of Grant Application to the National Fish & Wildlife Foundation, Chesapeake Bay Stewardship Fund is with regard to a new permit required by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) Regulations. This submission of the grant application is a no-cash match technical assistance grant through the National Fish & Wildlife Foundation. There is no impact to the general fund.

Rose Cook asked the Board for their consideration regarding the following two agreements: Manito Transportation Services, Inc. provides services for children attending the Summer Fair community camps. Keystone Autism Services, Inc. will provide payment to the Cumberland County Transportation Department for services provided to their clients' for transportation to day programs.

Rose Cook asked the Board for their Acceptance of a Grant Award from the PA Department of Transportation FY2011-2012 Transit Funding Consolidated Capital Application. This grant award is for five busses and a diagnostic tool that has been awarded to their department. Ms. Cook asked the Board to take action on this issue today because the acceptance is due no later than tomorrow, May 11, 2012, to the Comptroller. The amount of the grant award is \$470,500. Commissioner Eichelberger moved for acceptance of the Grant Award from the PA Department of Transportation FY 2011-2012 Transit Funding Consolidated Capital Application (see attached). Commissioner Hertzler seconded the motion and it unanimously carried.

Sam Coover presented a Letter to Terminate the Agreement between American Red Cross of the Susquehanna Valley and the Cumberland County Prison. Mr. Coover said the letter is for termination of services between Cumberland County Prison and the American Red Cross for running the Prison's CPR services. The American Red Cross has increased the Prison's costs from \$8.00 a person to \$27.50 a person. The Prison would like to use the same company that the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections has utilized. This company charges \$8.00 to \$10.00 per person for CPR services.

Mick Burkett asked the Board for their consideration regarding the following agreements: Addendum to Agreement with Campbell, Durant, Beatty, Palumbo & Miller, P.C. to Provide Supervisory Training and Horner's Corner BBQ. The first agreement is a contract addendum with the law firm for labor counsel. They will provide training for Human Services' staff regarding FMLA, ADA and anti-harassment Training which will be scheduled within the next several months. The second contract is for the employee picnic. Three quotes were received and Hoerner's Corner BBQ was the low bidder at \$5,700. Chief Clerk Marion reported that the picnic is underwritten with proceeds from the vending machines.

Pat Slattery asked the Board for their consideration in approving Prison Change Orders EC-4 and PC-7 for plumbing and electrical. Change Order EC-4 is in the total amount of \$22,430. Change Order PC-7 is in the total amount of \$32,018.

Commissioner Liaison Reports:

Commissioner Cross reported that the status of the proposed State Budget has moved from the Senate to the House. It is anticipated that the budget reflected by the Senate will show a 10% cut as opposed to a 20% cut reduction to Human Services. Also, there was level funding of the public library subsidy. This was part of the budget put forth in the Senate. The House has the opportunity now to review the budget and make a decision on funding. The next Judges' round table is scheduled for July 16, 2012. The AHEC Foundation Board meeting is scheduled for May 18, 2012.

Commissioner Hertzler recently attended the senior's event "Dancing with the Stars" in Doubling Gap on May 4, 2012. The first place winners were Linda and Bill Mortenson. The HATS Coordinating Committee met on Friday, April 27, 2012. There was an ongoing discussion about the need for action on both the State and Federal level regarding transportation funding. Dauphin County Commissioner Jeffrey Haste indicated a willingness to work with PennDOT in pursuing the utilization of engineering and design plans for bridge replacement projects at the State, County and Municipal level. The Regional Commuter Origin and Destination Study was not approved by PennDOT but grant funding is being considered. Commissioner Hertzler spoke about the Agriculture Land Preservation Board Meeting. The Board reviewed the recommendations of the ranking committee. Four farms totaling 332 acres will be preserved in the 2012 program year. If these four farms agree to also participate in the Federal Program and Federal funding is awarded, the County program may receive a net Federal reimbursement of as much as \$869,000. On May 9, 2012, the Board approved the Planning Department's future land use agriculture areas map. On May 11, 2012, Commissioner Hertzler will attend the Cumberland Valley Rail Trail event

in Shippensburg. The Department of Conservation & Natural Resources' (DCNR) Secretary Richard Allen will be in attendance. Commissioner Hertzler will attend the monthly Cumberland County Housing & Redevelopment Authority meeting scheduled for May 11, 2012.

Commissioner Eichelberger reported there is a Blighted Property Investment Board meeting scheduled for today. A Library System meeting was held on Saturday, May 5, 2012. The meeting covered the Library System's Strategic Planning process. Commissioner Eichelberger spoke about the session and the wide-range discussion regarding the needs of the Library System. Two public meetings regarding the County's Open Space Plan are scheduled for May 23, 2012 at the New Kingstown Fire Hall and May 24, 2012 at the Southampton Township Building. Both meetings will be held from 7:00-9:00 p.m. and they will be publicly streamed and available for viewing on the Cumberland County Planning Commission website. Commissioner Eichelberger has received a summary draft copy of the MH Plan for 2012-13. Their hearing is scheduled for Tuesday, May 15, 2012, at the STAR facility, 253 Penrose Place, Carlisle. Regarding the Cumberland County Economic Development Corporation, the Board meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, May 15, 2012. The grand opening of the Cumberland Valley Service Plaza is scheduled for Monday, May 14, 2012. Commissioner Eichelberger stated the Workforce Investment Board (WIB) is currently in discussion regarding Cumberland County's participation in the WIB. Commissioner Eichelberger will provide a summary of this information to Commissioners Cross and Hertzler within the next several days.

Chief Clerk Marion reported Executive Sessions were held on May 7, 2012, 1:30 p.m. Re Personnel Issues and on May 9, 2012, at 10:22 a.m. and 10:55 a.m. Re Personnel Issues.

Chief Clerk Marion asked if there was further business before the Board. Commissioner Hertzler said there were 400 responders called to the four alarm fire at the Lear Corporation building in Carlisle. These volunteer public servants are very important and should be commended. Commissioner Hertzler attended the Emergency Services Action Panel meeting last evening, May 9, 2012. Commissioner Hertzler spoke about revitalizing the Thanks Program. The panel will move forward with this matter to gather business participation. Commissioner Hertzler spoke about a draft Resolution prepared by the Board of Commissioners with regard to the Governor's proposed Human Service Program's cuts. The funding streams for these important services have been flat funded and/or cut in the past. Commissioner Hertzler spoke about Act 26 of 2011. Under this law, the Department of Public Welfare (DPW) was required to develop a report due to the General Assembly last October 31, 2011, regarding jointly-developed recommendations with CCAP on pilot programs to be considered in the 2012-13 State Budget. It is Commissioner Hertzler's understanding that the report was not completed. There was further discussion regarding the Claremont Nursing & Rehabilitation Center funding and Chester County's loss of funding for their County-owned facility. Commissioner Hertzler also stressed that if the State budget is insufficient, it will shift the obligation and responsibility for funding to the counties. The revenue source in Cumberland County is property taxes and Cumberland County's citizens are already overburdened with property taxes.

Commissioner Eichelberger spoke about the proposed Resolution. With its adoption it would become evident of the Board's advocacy for full restoration of the Human Services Budget funding. Commissioner Eichelberger spoke about the proposed State Budget's effect on Human Services as well as the effect on education including higher education. All of these items are important for the future of the Commonwealth. Commissioner Eichelberger also spoke about important issues including the Base Closures issue.

Commissioner Cross stated if the Proposed Resolution is considered, it should be presented to the Commissioners of Perry County. The Public Forum that took place on May 1, 2012, was a joint event. Commissioner Cross discussed other pertinent issues that could benefit from State funding. Regarding the matter of higher education, she pointed out that money can be borrowed to fund education but money cannot be borrowed to fund Human Services. Commissioner Cross reported the County Commissioners

Association of Pennsylvania (CCAP) is holding a conference call on Friday, May 11, 2012, regarding the proposed State budget cuts to Human Services.

Commissioner Cross spoke about the Human Services funding cuts over the past seven years. Commissioner Eichelberger is concerned about encouraging the Legislature to find a solution which could be simply raising the projections of revenue that will be received. Less funding for Cumberland County could mean higher County property taxes.

Chief Clerk Marion spoke to the Board regarding the Capital Request authorization process. These requests are presented to the Finance Office. The Requests are in the context that they are in line with the budget, have been reviewed, the need is established and the solution identified. Chief Clerk Marion requested the Board to move the larger-scale Capital Requests of \$10,000 or more into the record at all Commissioners' Workshop Meetings. Chief Clerk Marion stated there are presently three vehicle Capital Requests. One vehicle is for the Agriculture Extension, the second is for the Sheriff's Office regarding a prisoner transport van and the third vehicle is an on-call vehicle for the Sheriff's Office.

There being no further business before the Board, Chief Clerk Marion stated there is a request for Executive Session Re Personnel Issues. The Board came out of Executive Session at 12:10 p.m. and the meeting adjourned.

Respectfully Submitted,

Laurie Mazarella
Administrative Coordinator