



County of Lackawanna

Lackawanna County
Administration Building
200 Adams Avenue
Scranton, Pennsylvania
18503

Meeting Minutes Board of Commissioners

Friday, February 12, 2010

12:00 PM

Commissioner's Conference Room

Call to Order

Commissioner Michael J. Washo called the meeting to order at 12:08pm.

Present 3 - Michael J. Washo, Corey D. O'Brien and A.J. Munchak

Reading and Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner A.J. Munchak, to Dispense with the Reading and Approve as Prepared. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Michael J. Washo, Corey D. O'Brien and A.J. Munchak

Opportunity for the Public to Address the Board (Agenda Items Only)

None

Resolutions

10-0030

Approving Current Payables

Attachments: [Payment Check Register 02052010](#)
[EFT 02052010](#)
[payroll report 02052010](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Michael J. Washo, Corey D. O'Brien and A.J. Munchak

10-0026

Entering into a Lease Agreement with Brooks Realty Group, LLC

Attachments: [Brooks Building County Lease](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, that this Resolution be Adopted. Director John Eastman stated that this was for the Judicial Records System-Active Records. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Michael J. Washo, Corey D. O'Brien and A.J. Munchak

10-0027

Entering into a Letter of Interest with Luzerne County and the City of Hazleton for PennDOT to assess the viability of coordinating transportation services

A motion was made by Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner A.J. Munchak, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Michael J. Washo, Corey D. O'Brien and A.J. Munchak

10-0035

Entering into a Professional Services Contract with Sprint/Nextel for Lackawanna County cell phones

Attachments: [SprintNextel](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner A.J. Munchak, that this Resolution be Adopted. CFO Tom Durkin stated that the County would be saving \$14,000.00 yearly with the new contract. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Michael J. Washo, Corey D. O'Brien and A.J. Munchak

10-0024

Entering into a Professional Services Agreement with Murphy, Dougherty & Company

Attachments: [Murphy, Dougherty & Company CPA](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 2 - Michael J. Washo and Corey D. O'Brien

Nay: 1 - A.J. Munchak

10-0031

Entering into a Service Contract for the Courthouse HVAC from Siemens Industries

Attachments: [Siemens HVAC](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner A.J. Munchak, that this Resolution be Adopted as amended. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Michael J. Washo, Corey D. O'Brien and A.J. Munchak

10-0036

Motion to amend Resolution 10-0031, entering into a three (3) year service

contract for the Courthouse HVAC from Siemens Industries, with a new value of \$45,952.00.

A motion was made by Commissioner A.J. Munchak, seconded by Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien, that this Motion be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Michael J. Washo, Corey D. O'Brien and A.J. Munchak

10-0032

Accepting a proposal from ADI Business Solutions for the Information Technology Department

Attachments: [ADI](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner A.J. Munchak, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Michael J. Washo, Corey D. O'Brien and A.J. Munchak

10-0033

Accepting a lease proposal from Pitney Bowes Global Financial Services, LLC.

Attachments: [Pitney Bowes](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien, seconded by Commissioner A.J. Munchak, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Michael J. Washo, Corey D. O'Brien and A.J. Munchak

Motions

10-0028

Motion to allow the Deputy Director for Purchasing to solicit bids for four (4) issues for the County 2010 newsletter

A motion was made by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, seconded by Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien, that this Motion be Passed. Commissioner Munchak-will be voting NO: in 2007 the Newspaper wasn't giving good/correct information that the Administration was doing, so originally agreed to the newsletter. But, don't need it anymore-amounts to "political propaganda"; can save \$70,000 a year if we eliminate it-a luxury we cannot afford, "we gotta stop spending". Commissioner Washo- "We are in competition with other businesses and jurisdictions...I am proud of this decision. We have a job to do-sometimes it's the same as the newspaper, but most of the time it is not." People are entitled to know what's going on and happening in their community and government. Commissioner O'Brien-Important numbers to County Gov are included in every newsletter-not paid for by the taxpayers-paid for by the hotel tax...able to see what a progressive county Lackawanna is. It is a joint effort with the

Convention Bureau, Scranton Chamber, Economic and Community Development and County-must provide the county with information. I stand firmly behind our County tool.

The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 2 - Michael J. Washo and Corey D. O'Brien

Nay: 1 - A.J. Munchak

10-0034

Motion to accept the bid from Otis Maintenance for the elevators in the County Administration Building, the County Courthouse, and the Lackawanna County Prison.

Attachments: [Otis](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, seconded by Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien, that this Motion be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Michael J. Washo, Corey D. O'Brien and A.J. Munchak

10-0029

Motion to allow the Director of Public Works to bid for renovation services for required electrical and carpentry construction to move the Voter Registration office to the Stafford Avenue complex

A motion was made by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, seconded by Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien, that this Motion be Passed. The motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 3 - Michael J. Washo, Corey D. O'Brien and A.J. Munchak

Opportunity for the Public to Address the Board

Jessica Durkin: Fellow with the Washington DC Think Tank, New America Foundation, examining Scranton's media/communications needs. FCC: March 8th deadline "Future of Media" submit public comment, quality and quantity. Night Report guidelines.

Commissioners' Other Business

Commissioner AJ Munchak-If you have not received your Real Estate Tax Bills, the County has given the information to the Single Tax Office, and have been mailed.

Will not run/serve Sen. Bob Mellow's seat.

Happy Valentines Day!

Adjournment

This meeting was Adjourned at 1:12pm.

