



County of Lackawanna

Lackawanna County
Administration Building
200 Adams Avenue
Scranton, Pennsylvania
18503

Meeting Minutes Board of Commissioners

Wednesday, July 13, 2011

10:00 AM

Commissioner's Conference Room

Call to Order

Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien called the meeting to order at 10:01am.

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

Reading and Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, seconded by Commissioner Bruce A. Smallacombe, 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 Bruce A. Smallacombe

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

Ray Nearhood, Scranton-complaints about the Sheriff's Deputies; questioned Commissioner O'Brien about his finance reports.

Frank Adamo-questions about the Lease Agreement on the agenda, also questions why new Coroner/Morgue not at the Commonwealth Medical College.

Award Presentation

[11-0147](#) Pennsylvania Commander's Special Award for a Lifetime of Service to Veterans, presented to Director of Veterans Affairs Robert Tuffy.

Resolutions

[11-0146](#) Approving Current Payables

Attachments: [Check Register 07082011](#)
[EFT 07082011](#)
[Payroll for June 24 2011](#)
[Payroll July 8 2011](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, seconded by Commissioner Bruce A. Smallacombe, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote.

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

11-0145

Approving the Medical Assistance Transportation Program contracts

A motion was made by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, seconded by Commissioner Bruce A. Smallacombe, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote.

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

11-0153

Entering into a Letter of Agreement with Telespond Senior Services

Attachments: [Letter of Agreement](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, seconded by Commissioner Bruce A. Smallacombe, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote.

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

11-0149

Authorizing the Filing of an Application with the Commonwealth for a Redevelopment Assistance Capitol Program Grant

Attachments: [Opinion of Counsel CTCLC RACP](#)
[Coop Agree with CTCLC](#)
[Tab 3 RDA-301 CTCcopy](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, seconded by Commissioner Bruce A. Smallacombe, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote.

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

11-0152

Approving a Grant Renewal for the Emergency Food and Shelter Program

Attachments: [Emergency Food & Shelter](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, seconded by Commissioner Bruce A. Smallacombe, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote.

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

11-0154

Entering into a Lease Agreement with Paul C. Woelkers

Attachments: [MorgueLease](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, seconded by Commissioner Bruce A. Smallacombe, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote.

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

Solicitor John R. O'Brien- Solicitor John R. O'Brien-in response to Mr. Nearhood, there is no conflict of interest for Commissioner O'Brien to vote for the Lease, as campaign contributions are all public. The State Dept defines conflict of interest as that you have a personal interest, or investment.

Coroner Tim Rowland-we met with the Commonwealth Medical College and thought that it would be a beautiful location, but with all of the HIPPA and privacy issues, it couldn't work out; needed to combine efficiencies-to save taxpayer money-need a large storage space as many people do not have identification.

Commissioner Washo- you have two separate offices now, the morgue-in the basement of the hospital, and the office-in the Bricks Building.

Commissioner O'Brien- will save over \$50,000 a year, over 1million over 20 years.

Motions

11-0148

Motion to allow the Purchasing Department to advertise for Bids for the Exterior Repairs to the Lackawanna County Children's Library.

Attachments: [INVITATIONLIBCHLDEXTREP](#)

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

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

11-0151

Motion to accept the Quote from Tri-Star Motors, Blairsville PA, for two (2) 2011 Ford Crown Victoria Police Interceptor's, for a price not to exceed \$58,760.70.

Attachments: [Copy of Lackawanna County Sheriff's Dept 2011 Ford Crown Victoria Stock \(](#)

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

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

11-0150

Motion to accept the Bid from Dobrinski Brothers Inc, R.R. 1 Box 482-B, Falls PA 18615, for the Covington Park Phase 1 Project 3 Athletic Fields, Courts, and Parking Area Development Project, for a total of \$558,394.08.

Attachments: [Bid Tab Covington Park Phase 1 Proj 3](#)

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

carried by the following vote.

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

Opportunity for the Public to Address the Board

Ray Nearhood, Scranton-contratulations to Commissioner Smallacopmbe

Commissioners' Other Business

Commissioner Bruce Smallacombe- Thank you for the opportunity, and to the Commissioners for their kind treatment.

Commissioner Michael J. Washo-Please come out on Saturdays in July and the first weekend in August to enjoy summer concerts on Courthouse Square- the 4th of July concert was amazing.

Commissioner Corey O'Brien-Sharing and talking about ideas with Commissioner Smallacombe-having a Municipal Day, where each municipalities can come into the park system and enjoy what the County Parks have to offer.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Commissioner Michael J. Washo, seconded by Commissioner Bruce A. Smallacombe, that this meeting be Adjourned at 11:30am. The motion carried by the following vote.

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