



County of Lackawanna

Lackawanna County
Administration Building
200 Adams Avenue
Scranton, Pennsylvania
18503

Meeting Minutes Board of Commissioners

Wednesday, January 28, 2015

10:00 AM

Commissioner's Conference Room

Call to Order

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

Present 3 - Corey D. O'Brien, Jim Wansacz and Patrick M. O'Malley

Reading and Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner Patrick O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Jim Wansacz, to Dispense with the Reading and Approve as Prepared. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Corey D. O'Brien, Jim Wansacz and Patrick O'Malley

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

No Comments

Certificate Presentation

[15-0023](#)

Presentation of a "Good Works in Lackawanna County" Certificate of Recognition to Tina Palochko, from Bayada Home Health Care.

[15-0028](#)

Check presentation to Meals on Wheels of Northeastern Pennsylvania from the Lackawanna County Senior Health Fair.

Resolutions

[15-0027](#)

Approving Current Payables

Attachments: [3H502V0U.pdf0](#)
[3H502V0V.pdf0](#)
[signed Accounts Payables](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Patrick O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Jim Wansacz, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Corey D. O'Brien, Jim Wansacz and Patrick O'Malley

[15-0026](#)

Approving the Financing by the Scranton-Lackawanna Health and Welfare

Authority of Certain Capital Projects for the benefit of Allied Health Care Services, Inc.

Attachments: [approval elected rep lackawanna county allied 2015 signed Health and Welfare Allied Services Financing](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Patrick O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Jim Wansacz, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Corey D. O'Brien, Jim Wansacz and Patrick O'Malley

[15-0024](#)

Entering into a Memorandum of Understanding

Attachments: [2015 SAVIN MOU signed SAVIN MOU](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Jim Wansacz, seconded by Commissioner Patrick O'Malley, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Corey D. O'Brien, Jim Wansacz and Patrick O'Malley

[15-0029](#)

Approving and Authorizing an Emergency Management Performance Grant Agreement

Attachments: [EMPG Annual Application Instructions FFY 2015 Signature Request EMPG Annual Application 2015 A signed 911 PEMA Grant](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Patrick O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Jim Wansacz, that this Resolution be Adopted. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Corey D. O'Brien, Jim Wansacz and Patrick O'Malley

[15-0020](#)

Appointment to the Lackawanna County Convention and Visitors Bureau

Attachments: [signed Appointment Convention Visitors Bureau](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Patrick O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Jim Wansacz, that this Appointment be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Corey D. O'Brien, Jim Wansacz and Patrick O'Malley

[15-0021](#)

Appointment to the Lackawanna- Susquehanna Behavioral Health/Intellectual Disabilities/Early Intervention Program Advisory Board

Attachments: [signed Appointment BHIDEI](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Patrick O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Jim Wansacz, that this Appointment be Approved. The motion

carried by the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Corey D. O'Brien, Jim Wansacz and Patrick O'Malley

[15-0022](#)

Appointment to the Lackawanna County Conservation District Board

Attachments: [signed Appointment Conservation District](#)

A motion was made by Commissioner Patrick O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Jim Wansacz, that this Appointment be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Corey D. O'Brien, Jim Wansacz and Patrick O'Malley

Motions

[15-0025](#)

Motion to accept the quote from All Quality Aluminum Foundry, Smoketown PA, for Grave Markers for the Office of Veteran Affairs; 1880 markers at a value of \$12,256.00.

Attachments: [2015 Grave Markers - Written Quotes](#)
[signed Motion Veterans Grave Markers](#)

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

Aye: 3 - Corey D. O'Brien, Jim Wansacz and Patrick O'Malley

Opportunity for the Public to Address the Board

Bob Hughes, Clarks Summit: Irish Play at Rosetti Estate, opera/play this weekend, Rosetti Estate on the corner of Vine/Quincy.

Bob Bolus, Scranton: Applaud Meals on Wheels for the job that they do, and what they provide the community- the gratitude of the people that receive the food and interaction. Landfill-nothing sanitary about it-people dump any and everything in there; chemicals, need outside firm to test the comingling of chemicals, water run-off a major issue, health, safety and welfare of the community. Proposing to pout a casino in the Steamtown Mall- please send a request to the gaming board asking for a City license, want to save the City of Scranton.

Martina Sodine, Scranton Public Library: we are looking for new members to join the Friends of the Scranton Library (all library branches =have their own "friends" as well). If you sign up with Scranton in February, you have a chance to win \$100.

The Friends of the Scranton Public Library will be hosting a New York City Bus Trip on April 25, 2015. The trip will feature guided tours of The Cathedral of St. John the Divine, 4th largest Christian Church in the world, and Columbia University Libraries, oldest university in New York & oldest in the US.

Bring a bag lunch for a picnic on the campus.

Dinner will be at Sylvia's Harlem Restaurant along with shopping.

Cost: \$35 for Friends Members and \$40 for Guests

Bus Departs from the Albright Memorial Library at 8 am on on April 25, 2015
Bus Departs from Harlem at 7 pm; For more information:Contact Friends
President Jill Cadden at 570-961-3087

Mike Catanzaro, Childs: 8.5 million surplus- used for anything?
Reimbursement for the ESCO project? Tax rebate?

Commissioners' Other Business

Commissioner Patrick O'Malley: McDade Park is open for sleigh riding! I want to have our own county fair-there's is money to be applied for, grants, through the Commonwealth. Looking to set-up a committee to explore the possibility of a fair, and locations.

****I make a Motion to create and form a County Fair committee. Commissioner Jim Wansacz seconded the motion. Vote 3-0.****

Commissioner Jim Wansacz: maybe talk to the Stadium Authority, they handle requests for use of the Stadium. In response to Mr. Bolus, the State only allows so many licenses in a certain radius. And we don't own the Mall; you must talk to the owners, and gaming board. And to Mr. Catanzaro, we will save money over the long term with the ESCO. Surplus because of the surveillance fee, audits done on time, credit rating back. Mr. Hughes- the Rosetti estate, and the family, for all that they have done for the community- a big thank you.

Commissioner Corey D. O'Brien: the casino- need big ideas moving forward, to take to the owners of the facility, the mall, they need our support in the local community to rejuvenate the facility. Maybe a lifestyle facility in the heart of the downtown.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Commissioner Patrick O'Malley, seconded by Commissioner Jim Wansacz, that this meeting be Adjourned. The motion carried by the following vote.

Aye: 3 - Corey D. O'Brien, Jim Wansacz and Patrick O'Malley