

**COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES**  
**MAY 26, 2010**

Commissioner Chairman Rodney D. Ruddock called the regular meeting of the Indiana County Commissioners to order at 10:35 a.m. in the Commissioners' Hearing Room.

**ROLL CALL**

Chairman Rodney D. Ruddock, present                      Commissioner David S. Frick, present  
Commissioner Patricia A. Evanko, present

Also in attendance were Solicitor Michael T. Clark, Chief Clerk Robin Maryai and others. Members of the news media present were John J. Como, Jared Stout and Ashley Pribicko.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Commissioner Ruddock led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**APPROVE MINUTES...MAY 12, 2010**

A motion was made by Mr. Frick, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of May 12, 2010 meeting as received.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**PROCLAMATION...MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH**

After a proclamation was read by Ms. Evanko, a motion was made, seconded by Mr. Frick and unanimously carried to proclaim May 2010 as Mental Health Awareness Month in Indiana County. Mr. Joe Bujdos was present to accept the proclamation and thanked the commissioners for their continued support.

**CONTRACT...PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS / JAIL**

At the request of Warden, Carol Hummel, a motion was made by Mr. Frick, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a contract between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania and Indiana County which will allow the county to house up to 75 state inmates per day. This agreement also increases the per diem rate from \$50.00 to \$52.00 per day per inmate and also the amount of inmates from 60 to 75. This will generate approximately \$1.4 million annually for the county.

**CONTRACT FOR SERVICES...THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY / WEST NILE VIRUS**

At the request of Bob Pollock, Penn State Extension, a motion was made by Mr. Frick, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a sub-contract between Penn State University and Indiana County which will allow Mr. Pollock to act as coordinator of the West Nile Program.

**RESOLUTION...COOPERATION AGREEMENT / HOUSING ALLIANCE OF INDIANA COUNTY**

At the request of the Office of Planning and Development, a motion was made by Mr. Frick, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to adopt a resolution to enter into a

Cooperation Agreement with the Housing Alliance of Indiana County for the application and administration of the HOME-CHDO Program. The Cooperation Agreement delineates the duties and responsibilities of both parties to comply with the HOME program regulations. The project funds will be the Housing Alliance of Indiana County with operational funding through their HUD designation as a Community Housing Development organization.

Mr. Kevin Barto from the Housing Alliance of Indiana County was present and spoke of their current projects which will develop and provide affordable housing in Indiana County. The cooperation agreement is to channel funding through DCED to the Commissioners through the Office of Planning & Development so they provide the housing.

#### **RESOLUTION..2010 CHDO OPERATING HOME GRANT APPLICATION**

At the request of the Office of Planning and Development and the Housing Alliance of Indiana County, a motion was made by Mr. Frick, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to adopt a resolution authorizing the filing of a 2010 CDDO Operating Grant HOME Program Application and also to allow Commissioner Ruddock to sign all necessary forms to complete the application process. The application will request \$85,415.78 to fund operating expenses during the development of housing developments including the proposed 24-unit affordable apartment complex to be located in Blairsville, Indiana County. All required citizen participation requirements have been completed.

#### **AUTHORIZATION OF SURPLUS SALE**

At the request of Robin Maryai, Chief Clerk, a motion was made by Mr. Frick, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to authorize the sale of the following surplus equipment: 1998 Ford Taurus, 1999 Ford Taurus, 1995 Ford Explorer, 1990 Dodge Van Ram Model, 1990 Dodge Ram Truck, 1993 Chevy S-10 Truck, Three ¾ Cargo Trailer's and 600+ Carpeted Computer Floor Tiles. Bids will be due at 10:30 a.m. on Friday, June 18, 2010.

#### **RESOLUTION...LOCAL MATCH FOR INDIANA COUNTY TRANSIT AUTHORITY**

At the request of the Transit Authority, a motion was made by Mr. Frick, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a Resolution certifying Indiana County's local match to the Indiana County Transit Authority is \$54,000.00 for fiscal year 2010-11.

#### **INDIANA COUNTY JIMMY STEWART AIRPORT – RACP GRANT AWARD**

At the request of Ron Anderson, Indiana County Airport Authority, a motion was made by Mr. Frick, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a grant contract with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania acting through the Office of Budget for a Redevelopment Assistant Capital Program (RACP) grant in the amount of \$3,626,000.00. The RACP grant will partially cover costs associated with the Runway Construction Project up to \$2,000,000.00. The remaining \$1,626,000.00 of the RACP grant will partially cover costs related to the Business Park Project which includes approximately 10 acres of property adjacent to the airport runway.

Commissioner Ruddock explained that we are in Phase III of the project and this grant will cover all but \$400,000 of the \$2.4 million local share required for the runway construction. We are thankful to our congressional legislation team to put the effort forward to realize how important this project is to Indiana County and to help to offset the cost to the county and for the economic growth.

Mr. Anderson said some equipment has been moved onto the airport in preparation for moving an estimated 3 million cubic yard of earth into the ravine of the airport and the projected completion date will be October 2011.

**OTHER BUSINESS**

Mr. Anderson announced that the Airport Festival will be June 12 – 13, 2010 and this year's feature attraction will be a C-54 cargo plane used during the 1948-49 Berlin airlift, and a World War II P-40 Warhawk fighter. There also will be a hangar dance with a live orchestra playing 1940's Big Band music.

**NEXT REGULAR MEETING...JUNE 9, 2010 AT 10:30 A.M.**

Chairman Ruddock announced that the next regular scheduled Commissioners' Public meeting will be held on Wednesday, June 9, 2010 at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Hearing Room.

**ADJOURMENT**

With no other business to come before the Board at this time, Commissioner Ruddock adjourned the meeting at 11:11 p.m.

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Patricia A. Evanko, Secretary

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Rodney D. Ruddock, Chairman