

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES
MAY 14, 2014

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 Michael A. Baker, 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 Randy Wells, Gina DeFavero and Josh Widdowson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

In honor of Armed Forces Day and Memorial Day, Commissioner Ruddock led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

APPROVE MINUTES...APRIL 23, 2014

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of April 23, 2014 as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. J.D. Varner was present and asked that the Commissioner consider the following requests:

1. Petition the Pennsylvania Public Utilities Commission to establish a ruling that any public utility that provides service to clients in the Indiana County Region, must provide an on-site consumer service office within Indiana County.
2. Petition the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to authorize, request, order, or otherwise facilitate the Corps of Engineers to begin the development of further dikes/levees/etc. (such as what was accomplished in the Cherry Tree, PA area) to remove Indiana County Communities from an established federal flood zone.
3. Inaugurate the display of the Indiana Flag in and around the Indiana County Courthouse to recognize Indiana Borough as the Indiana County Seat of Government. The symbolism of this flag, created by the Indiana County Art Association, demonstrates the political, governmental, educational, historical and social aspects of the county seat.

Mayor George E. Hood and Rich Gallo were also present. Mayor Hood presented each commissioner with the Indiana Flag.

Commissioner Ruddock said they would take his offers into consideration. Commissioner invited Mr. Varner to a meeting on May 16th at 7:30 a.m. at Eat N Park with Penelec to express his frustrations. Commissioner Ruddock said they want to make sure procedures are followed. He said he doesn't want to create another level of engagement that would interrupt the flow of information. He agrees we need to have greater consideration by the utility commission as they do not operate directly with the county.

Commissioner Ruddock said in regards to the flood zones, they would need to look at that issue in a lot more detail and review what Cherry Tree Borough's engagement is. He said the county

is working with all of the municipalities with storm water management. He said they would need to consult with the Army Corps of Engineers to see if there is relief needed from a flood zone.

Commissioner Ruddock commended the Indiana Borough for their work on the flag but we do have an Indiana County Flag that is outside of the Commissioner's Office. He wants to make sure that any flags hoisted represent all of Indiana County and not just one municipality. He understands the Indiana is the county seat and appreciates his engagement here today.

GOVERNOR'S AWARD FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT EXCELLENCE

Commissioner recognized Ron Evanko as a recipient of the Governor's Award for Local Government Excellence. Mr. Evanko served on the Blairsville Borough Council for 18 years, past president and current vice president of the Indiana County Boroughs Association, a current member of the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs' Board of Directors, PSAB President in 2011-2012. He has also been honored with the distinguished Anthony J. Deflippi Award recognizing the outstanding legislative advocacy in Harrisburg and a past recipient of the Association's A.C. Sales Award for outstanding service and the Distinguished Service Award.

Commissioner Ruddock read a statement from Governor Tom Corbett as follows: As local government officials, these individuals are faced with important issues every day and are given the responsibility of developing solutions that will enable their communities to thrive and prosper. The recipients have developed successful local government initiatives that have solidified their regions, improved the quality of life for their fellow citizens and contributed to the economic vitality of our Commonwealth. I commend these leaders for their hard work and collaboration, as well as the initiative they have taken to uphold the Commonwealth's tradition of excellence. It is my hope that their unwavering commitment to building stronger communities in Pennsylvania will continue to have a positive impact on the citizens they serve for years to come. On behalf of the Board Commissioners, he is very pleased to recognize and congratulate Ron Evanko for the service he has provided to his community, to Indiana County, to the State.

Ron Evanko thanked the board for the recognition and said he tells people that you can only make a first impression once. Make sure when you meet with people that you put your best foot forward because this will say how you want to be with that person for the rest of our life.

PROCLAMATION...NATIONAL NURSING HOME WEEK

After a proclamation was read by Mr. Baker, a motion was made, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to declare May 11 – 17, 2014 as Nursing Home Week and adopt the theme of "Living the Aloha Spirit" and call to everyone to visit or contact their loved ones, friends, or neighbors in a skilled nursing or post-acute care center as a way to acknowledge their contributions to society and to lift spirits of caregivers who value the community's involvement. Kim Cobaugh and John Bradley from the Communities at Indian Haven were present along with resident Letty Nupp to accept the proclamation.

PROCLAMATION...COMMUNITY ACTION MONTH

After a proclamation was read by Mr. Ruddock, a motion was made, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to proclaim May 2014 as Community Action Month in Indiana County. Michelle Fraught, Director of ICCAP was present to accept the proclamation.

PROCLAMATION...MENTAL HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH

After a proclamation was read by Ms. Evanko, a motion was made, seconded by Mr. Baker and unanimously carried to proclaim May, 2014 as Mental Health Awareness Month and called upon the citizens, government agencies, public and private institutions, business and schools to recommit to increasing awareness and understanding of mental illnesses and the need for appropriate and accessible services for all people with mental illnesses to promote recovery. Tammy Calderone, Director of BDHP was present to accept the proclamation.

PROCLAMATION...SIXTIETH ANNIVERSARY OF ACCESSABILITIES, INC.

After a proclamation was read by Mr. Baker, a motion was made, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to congratulate accessAbilities, Inc. on the momentous occasion of its sixtieth anniversary and commended its mission to offer High quality services to the changing needs of the individuals with disabilities in Indiana County and offered their best wishes for continued success of such a vital endeavor in years to come. Barbara Christner from accessAbilities, Inc. was present to accept the proclamation.

PROCLAMATION...FOSTER FAMILY MONTH

After a proclamation was read by Ms. Evanko, a motion was made, seconded by Mr. Baker and unanimously carried to proclaim the month of May, 2014 as Foster Care Month in Indiana County, and also to recognize the valuable contributions foster families make to the welfare and happiness of our children. And also to encourage the community to learn more about the important role roster families play in giving our young people an opportunity for a bright and promising future. Ed Bence from Children & Youth was present to accept the proclamation.

PROCLAMATION...NATIONAL BIKE MONTH

After a proclamation was read by Mr. Ruddock, a motion was made, seconded by Mr. Baker and unanimously carried to proclaim the Month of May, 2014 as National Bike Month throughout Indiana County and urged all who support bicycling to participate in the events throughout the county. Zack Norwood from the Office of Planning & Development was present to accept the proclamation.

CHANGE ORDERS – DIAMOND DRUG REPACK PROJECT / PLANNING

The Office of Planning & Development, Robson Architectural Services and Diamond Drug requested that the Board of Commissioners approve the following cumulative change orders for the Diamond Drug Repack Project. It is noted that all additional costs associated with the following change orders will be covered by a Redevelopment Capital Assistance Program Funds Grant and Diamond Drug.

PLUMBING CONTRACT: (1)

Change Order #1 with Plumbing Contractor Baer Services, Inc. in the amount of \$4,053.00. Change Order #1 is to add a 3” vent through the roof, relocate existing hose bibs, install two new hose bibs and to remove an existing chiller and air lines.

The revised contract amount with Baer Services, Inc. with approval of Change Order #1 will be \$44,323.00. A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve Change order Number #1Baer Services, Inc.

ELECTRICAL CONTRACT: (2)

Change Order #1 with Electrical Contractor Right Electric, Inc. in the amount of \$16,201.64. Change Order #1 is to furnish and install 20 type C light fixtures and 3 and 4 way switching of lights. Extend trenching, conduits and wiring 30' to new location of the new generator.

Change Order #2 is a decrease in the amount of \$17,110.00. Change Order #2 is for the reduction in scope of the sound system including controls and speakers.

The revised contract amount with Right Electric, Inc. with approval of Change Order #1 and #2 will be \$478,791.64. A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve Change Orders #1 and #2 with Right Electric, Inc.

MECHANICAL CONTRACT: (3)

Change Order #1 with Mechanical Contractor Reno Brothers Mechanical Contractors, Inc. in the amount of \$1,087.08. Change Order #1 is to furnish and install a new motor control circuit board for the existing Trane AC unit. Modify an exhaust fan for the compressor room to 16" with a minimum 1800 CFM, including an exhaust damper.

Change Order #2 in the amount of \$4,364.00. Change Order #2 is for work required to relocate two existing condensing units to accommodate installation of a new ramp and dock area. Work includes pump down and evacuating the existing refrigerant, extend power and control wiring, reroute and extend A/C piping, insulate pipe, test with dry nitrogen, reuse existing accumulators, install new filter dryers, recharge with same refrigerant and check systems for proper operation.

Change Order #3 in the amount of \$1,552.00. Change Order #3 is for the installation of a third dust collector arm and an additional ceiling mount flange for future use.

The revised contract amount with Reno Brothers Mechanical Contractors, Inc. with approval of Change Orders #1, #2 and #3 will be \$255,157.08. A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve Change Orders #1, #2 and #3 with Reno Brothers Mechanical Contractors, Inc.

GENERAL CONTRACT: (6)

Change Order #2 with General Contractor Fred L. Burns, Inc. in the amount of \$15,500.00. Change Order #2 is to supply and install additional concrete footings, masonry walls, metal decking and rebar reinforcement for new ramp and dock area. Supply and install additional aluminum gate and railings for ramp and dock.

Change Order #3 in the amount of \$18,576.00. Change Order #3 is for material and labor to provide engineered ceiling joists in three work area rooms. Install ¾" plywood to topside of framing.

Change Order #4 in the amount of \$3,098.00. Change Order #4 is for 40 additional lineal feet of 30" countertop. Change 25" countertops to 30" countertops. Install new wall blocking and drywall as required for the new countertop configuration and to provide a raised section of counter at washer and dryer.

Change Order #5 in the amount of \$3,050.00. Change Order #5 is an increase in cost for PPG Series high performance epoxy paint.

Change Order #6 in the amount of \$1,412.00. Change Order #6 is for change in railing design as required by the IBC changing from a two line rail to vertical balusters at 4" o.c.

Change Order #7 in the amount of \$1,686.00. Change Order #6 is for the supply and installation of two new steel replacement door frames at the loading dock area.

The revised contract amount with Fred L. Burns, Inc. with approval of Change Orders #2, #3, #4, #5, #6 and #7 will be \$482,343.38. A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve Change Orders #2, #3, #4, #5, #6 and #7 with Fred L. Burns, Inc.

RESOLUTION – PA SMALL WATER AND SEWER GRANT / PLANNING

At the request of the Office of Planning & Development and the Highridge Water Authority (HWA), a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a Resolution formally adopting and authorizing the filing of an application to the Commonwealth Financing Authority. The motion also includes approval for Commissioner Ruddock to sign all required applications forms. The application will request \$150,000.00 of PA Small Water and Sewer Grant funds to construct a public water service extension on Bear Tracks Hill Road in East Wheatfield Township. The HWA will provide \$28,400.00 of local funds as match for the proposed project that will construct approximately 4,500 linear feet of 6" water line to eight (8) residences that do not have potable water. The total estimated project cost is \$178,400.00.

BUDGET/CONTRACT REVISION - 2011 ESG SECOND ALLOCATION / PLANNING

At the request of the Office of Planning & Development and ICCAP, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a contract and budget revision to the 2011 ESG Second Allocation contract with the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED). These contract changes were prompted by DCED notifying all 2011 ESG Second Allocation grantees that the contract expiration dates were being shortened due to an error on their part. The original contract expiration date was October 16, 2014, but was revised to August 24, 2014. Grantees were instructed to reduce the contract amounts if funds could not be expended by the new deadline date without jeopardizing future funding awards.

Indiana County's original contract amount is \$223,000.00. Due to the types of services provided by these funds, rapid re-housing services, we are requesting a contract reduction of \$20,500.00 because of the shortened contract timeframe. The revised contract amount will be \$202,500.00.

LIQUID FUELS ADMINISTRATION / PLANNING

Byron Stauffer, Director of the Office of Planning & Development requested that the Board approve the following actions for the administration of the County Liquid Fuels funding:

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a \$31,363.91 application to PennDOT District-10 form liquid fuels on behalf of South Mahoning Township to partially offset eligible project costs for local share of the Sinktown Road TR 850

Project. The total estimated project costs are \$32,616.45. The proposed County Aid allocation represents approximately 96% of the total project costs.

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a \$31,545.80 application to PennDOT District -10 from liquid fuels for County Aid on behalf of West Wheatfield Township to partially offset eligible project costs to pave a portion of T704 – Jesse Penrose Road. The total estimated project costs are \$69,904.00. The proposed County Aid allocation represents approximately 45% of the total project costs.

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a \$46,228.02 application to PennDOT District010 from liquid fuels for County Aid on behalf of Burrell Township to partially offset eligible project costs for the paving of various township roads. The total estimated project costs are \$194,142.00. The proposed County Aid allocation represents approximately 24% of the total project costs.

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a \$15,561.64 application to PennDOT District-10 from liquid fuels for County Aid on behalf of Banks Township to partially offset eligible project costs for purchasing materials for various township roads. The total estimated project costs are \$18,000.00. The proposed County Aid allocation represents approximately 86% of the total project costs.

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a \$28,579.35 application to PennDOT District-10 from liquid fuels for County Aid on behalf of East Wheatfield Township to partially offset eligible project costs for Chestnut Street Bridge Repair. The total estimated project costs are \$211,438.00. The proposed County Aid allocation represents approximately 14% of the total project costs.

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a \$3,925.41 application to PennDOT District-10 from liquid fuels for County Aid on behalf of Ernest Borough to partially offset eligible project costs for drainage on 4th Street. The total estimated project costs are \$3,925.41. The proposed County Aid allocation represents approximately 100% of the total project costs.

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a \$40,695.45 application to PennDOT District-10 from liquid fuels for County Aid on behalf of Washington Township to partially offset eligible project costs for reclamation of Bailey & Frick Roads Project. The total estimated project costs are \$55,490.60. The proposed County Aid allocation represents approximately 73% of the total project costs.

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a \$20,378.15 application to PennDOT District-10 from liquid fuels for County Aid on behalf of Buffington Township to partially offset eligible project costs for the purchase of materials for Township roads. The total estimated project costs are \$21,000.00. The proposed County Aid allocation represents approximately 97% of the total project costs.

CONTRACT...EQUIFAX INFORMATION SERVICES LLC / CYS

Paula McClure, Director of Children Youth explained that the Federal Child & Family Services Improvement and Innovation Act require a copy of a credit report for every child in placement

who has attained 16 years of age. CYS is mandated to have a contract with the three major credit reporting systems and receive a credit report form all three for each youth in foster care. She asked that the following three contracts be approved:

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a contract with Equifax Information Services LCC. to provide the necessary credit report.

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a contract with TranUnion, Fullerton, CA. to provide the necessary credit report.

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a contract with Experian, Costa Mesa, CA to provide the necessary credit report.

It is noted that there is no fee or cost for this service and all CYS Offices in the state will be contracting with these three agencies.

AMENDMENT...HEALTHCHOICES BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AGREEMENT WITH THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA / BDHP

At the request of Tammy Calderone, Director of BDHP, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve an amendment between Healthchoices Behavioral Health Agreement with the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. This is an amendment to the January 1, 2014 to December 31, 2018 agreement. The amendment is due to program standard requirements and clarification of when material modifications can be made.

AMENDMENT BETWEEN VALUE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH OF PA, INC. AND THE COUNTIES OF ARMSTRONG, BUTLER, INDIANA, LAWRENCE, WASHINGTON AND WESTMORELAND / BDHP

At the request of Tammy Calderone, Director of BDHP, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve an amendment between Behavioral Health of PA and the counties of Armstrong, Butler, Indiana, Lawrence, Washington and Westmoreland. This amendment removes language for their contingency plan that was included in the original contract for meeting Healthchoices risk fund requirements that are no longer necessary. It was put in the original agreement in case the SW-6 counties did not meet requirements but they did.

MODIFICATION TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN SOUTHWEST BEHAVIORAL HEALTH MANAGEMENT, INC. AND INDIANA COUNTY / BDHP

At the request of Tammy Calderone, Director of BDHP, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a modification to the Administrative Services Agreement between Southwest Behavioral Health Management and Indiana County. This provides clarification that in the event that one of the counties should withdraw from the SW-6 that any already designated administrative dollars for that fiscal year would remain with the SW-6 counties.

RESOLUTION...PA SMALL WATER AND SEWER GRANT / JAIL

At the request of the Warden Sam Buzzinotti, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a Resolution formally adopting and authorizing

the filing of an application to the Commonwealth Financing Authority. The motion also includes approval for Commissioner Ruddock to sign all required applications forms. The application will request \$126,255 to be used to improve the operation of the existing waste system at the Indiana County Jail through the installation of a grinding and screening arrangement for the influent of the equalization tank. There is a 15% county match in the amount \$22,275.00 with a total project cost of \$148,000.00.

COURTHOUSE CLOSED...MONDAY, MAY 26, 2014 MEMORIAL DAY HOLIDAY

Commissioner Ruddock announced that the Courthouse will be closed on Monday, May 26, 2014 in observance of the Memorial Day Holiday.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Ruddock reminded everyone of the election to be held on May 20, 2014. He applauded the efforts of the election personnel and team in the removal of a last minute candidate for Governor that was to be on the ballot and then removed by a decision of the Supreme Court.

Commissioner Ruddock said there was a visit to Indiana County at two locations from Lieutenant Governor Jim Cawley and the Secretary of Transportation Barry Schoch. The purpose of the visit was to announce the long-range funding plan in the amount of \$500,000,000.00 that is coming to help Indiana County and its municipalities with road and bridge improvements. They also visited the Jimmy Stewart Airport because of the efforts being made by the Airport Authority and the County to complete the runway project that started 10 years ago. He said we are not seeing the benefit of the airport because we are still building the infrastructure to make it more competitive from a business standpoint. Because of obstructions that were limiting our ability to bring final closure to the airport, the county is short of dollars. The state recognized the efforts of the county and is giving us a grant in the amount of \$1.6 million with a 25% local share borne by the Indiana County Airport Authority. This will close out the next to last phase of getting airport ready to have ground breaking in fall of 2015. The last phase of the airport is to validate the GPS landing system so that the new jet aircrafts can come in and land without difficulty. There were testimonials at the visit that talked that if it were not for Indiana Airport's growth, they would not be coming to Indiana County.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING...MAY 28, 2014 AT 10:30 A.M.

The next regular scheduled Commissioners' Public meeting will be held on Wednesday, May 28, 2014 at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioners' Hearing Room.

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business to come before the Board at this time, Commissioner Ruddock adjourned the meeting at 11:25 a.m.

Patricia A. Evanko, Secretary

Rodney D. Ruddock, Chairman