

COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 29, 2014

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

ROLL CALL

Chairman Rodney D. Ruddock, present
Commissioner Patricia A. Evanko, present

Commissioner Michael A. Baker, 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

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

APPROVE MINUTES...OCTOBER 15, 2014

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of October 15, 2014 as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS

Commissioner Ruddock said there were two Executive Sessions held since the last public meeting to discuss personnel/legal issues as follows: October 16, 2014 at 9:30 a.m. and October 20, 2014 at 11:00 a.m.

ANNOUNCEMENT...HAWK ROCK

Andrea Marra and Rebecca Welker, IUP students, were present and announced that the 2014 Hawk Rock Dance-a-thon will be held on Saturday, November 8, 2014 from 10:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. at the Memorial Field House. The Hawk Rock is a student run initiative to give back to the Indiana community. Their mission is to raise, not only funds, but also awareness of the number and homelessness within Indiana County. The money raised will go directly to Community Kitchen, Family Promise and ICCAP.

PROCLAMATION...SENIOR CORPS OF PA LEGACY AWARD

After a proclamation was read, a motion was made by Ms. Evanko, seconded by Mr. Baker and unanimously carried to acknowledge and congratulate JoAnne Ferraro for her Senior Corps of PA Legacy Award. Ms. Ferraro was nominated for her volunteer work with RSVP, PASEC, Kiski-Conemaugh Stram Team, the American Red Cross Disaster Call Center, Indiana County Head Start and Indiana County League of Women Voters.

PROCLAMATION...VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

After a proclamation was read, a motion made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to acknowledge and congratulate John Dudash for his award of Volunteer of the Year. Mr. Dudash was nominated for his volunteer work for ICPaSEC and the Evergreen Conservancy.

AGREEMENT...PRIMECARE MEDICAL, INC. / JAIL

At the request of Sam Buzinotti, Warden, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a Comprehensive Health Services Agreement with Primecare Medical, Inc. The effective date of this agreement will be January 1, 2015 with no increase in 2015, 2.5% increase in 2016 and a 3.5% increase in 2017. PrimeCare Medical provides mental health, medical and related health care services to the inmate/patient population at the Indiana County Jail.

CONTRACT...MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM (MAPT) / HUMAN SERVICES

At the request of Maureen Pounds, Interim Director of the Department of Human Services, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a contract between the County of Indiana and Indigo for the Medical Assistance Transportation Program. The original contract was signed in July pending language concerns raised by Indigo. Those language concerns have been addressed and the contract has been reviewed by the county solicitor.

CONTRACT FM CLEANING / CYS

At the request of Holly Moyer George, Fiscal Technician II at Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve an agreement with FM Cleaning Service, Homer City, PA for cleaning services at the rate of \$585.00 per month.

CONTRACT...HANDYMAN FOR HIRE, INC. / CYS

At the request of Holly Moyer George, Fiscal Technician II at Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a contract with Handy Man For Hire for general maintenance at the rate of \$34.00 per hour and plumbing services at the rate of \$40.00 per month.

WESTERN PA SERVICE CO. / CYS

At the request of Holy Moyer George, Fiscal Technician II at Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a contract with Western PA Service Co. for Plowing & Snow Removal services at the rate of \$118.00 per occurrence and \$29.00 per occurrence to shovel sidewalks when plowing is not needed.

Commissioner Ruddock commented that because of reimbursement from the state, these services are contracted out in lieu of using in-house employees.

PRIVATE PROVIDER AGREEMENTS FY 2014 – 2015 / CYS

At the request of Holly Moyer-George, Fiscal Technician II at Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve a Private Provider Contract with The Bair Foundation, Wilmington, PA for FY 2014-2015 to provide services to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide placement services.

RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE INDIANA COUNTY HOUSING PLAN / PLANNING

At the request of Zach Norwood, Office of Planning & Development, with a recommendation from the Indiana County Planning Commission, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to adopt the Indiana County Housing Plan as an addition to the County's Comprehensive Plan, *Where We Live...A Comprehensive Plan for Indiana County*. The Housing Plan will be the guiding document for all policy and development efforts regarding housing in Indiana County for the next ten years. The plan was developed by Mullin & Lonergan Associates in conjunction with staff over the last year and a half, which included numerous public engagement opportunities and key stakeholder interviews. The project was funded through Indiana County's CDBG entitlement, County Act 137 funds and a generous donation from the United Way of Indiana County.

280 INDIAN SPRINGS ROAD – SUITE 125 BUILD-OUT PROJECT - CHANGE ORDER #2 / PLANNING

At the request of Nick Rado, Office of Planning & Development and on behalf the Indiana County Development Corporation, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve Change Order #2 in the amount of \$16,418.00 to a general construction contract with Marmat Construction, Inc. of Hooversville, PA, Somerset County. This final change order will make the total contract \$398,548.00 and provide for the following:

1. Additional wiring and circuits required for the installation of equipment.
2. Removal of base cabinets, cutting of countertop and installation of countertop supports to accommodate equipment.
3. Additional data wiring
4. Under cabinet lighting, approximately 28 feet.
5. Run a cat 6 cable to Demarc closet.
6. Ground for data rack
7. Installation of handicap parking sign.

These changes have been requested and approved by the new tenant, World Health Industries. Funding for the project is derived from a Redevelopment Assistance Capital Grant and the Indiana County Development Corporation.

CONTRACT AWARD – 2013 INDIANA COUNTY CDBG ENTITLEMENT & COMPETITIVE / PLANNING

At the request of LuAnn Zak, Office of Planning & Development and on behalf of ICMSA, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to enter into a contract agreement with Gibson-Thomas Engineering, Inc. of Latrobe, PA to undertake engineering services for the Arcadia Water Treatment Compliance Project. The contract award is for \$70,000.00 for design and inspections services. The Arcadia Water Treatment Plant has been under a PA DEP consent order to update the treatment facility. Contract costs have been allocated from the 2013 Indiana County CDBG Entitlement and Competitive contracts. A total of \$521,500.00 is available for engineering and construction costs.

FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 BASE FUNDED CONTRACT BETWEEN ADVANCE WELLNESS AND EDUCATION CENTER, LLC, AND THE ARMSTRONG-INDIANA BEHAVIORAL AND DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM (AIBDHP) FOR THE PROVISION OF EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICES / BDHP

At the request of Tammy Calderone, Director of the Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve the FY 2014 -15 Base Early Intervention Agreement between AI BDHP and Advance Wellness and Education Center LLC. This is a new provider that some Armstrong County parents have selected to provide Early Intervention services for their children. Funding for this contract will come from our existing Base EI allocation. Base dollars require a 10% county match This has been reviewed and approved by the Armstrong County Commissioners.

FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 INFANTS, TODDLERS AND FAMILIES (ITF) MEDICAID WAIVER CONTRACT BETWEEN ADVANCE WELLNESS AND EDUCATION CENTER, LLC, AND AIBDHP FOR THE PROVISION OF EARLY SERVICES / BDHP

At the request of Tammy Calderone, Director of the Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve the FY 2014 -15 Infant, Toddlers, and Families Medicaid Waiver Agreement between AI BDHP and Advance Wellness and Education Center LLC. This is a new provider that some Armstrong County parents have selected to provide Early Intervention services for their children. Funding for this contract will come from our existing Waiver EI allocation. These are 100% Federal Dollars requiring no county match. This has been reviewed and approved by the Armstrong County Commissioners.

AMENDMENT TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY OPERATING AGREEMENT BETWEEN AIBDHP AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE / BDHP

At the request of Tammy Calderone, Director of the Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, a motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve an amendment of the July 2013 Administrative Entity Operating agreement between the Department of Public Welfare and AI BDHP that was effective July 1, 2013. This amendment changes what employment services the Administrative Entity or BDHP Office can authorize without the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation approval. The Administrative Entity may now authorize prevocational and transitional work services without making a referral to the Office of Vocational Rehabilitation. The Department of Public Welfare has initiated this amendment statewide. This has been reviewed and approved by the Armstrong County Commissioners.

AMENDMENT #2 TO THE 2014-2018 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH HEALTHCHOICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN INDIANA COUNTY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE / BDHP

Tammy Calderone, Director of the Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, explained that with the approval by the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for the reforms to the Pennsylvania Medicaid Program known as Healthy PA, it was necessary for DPW to amend the 2014-2018 Behavioral Health Healthchoices Agreement between the County and the Department of Public Welfare.

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve the required Amendments put forth by DPW for this Agreement.

Ms. Calderone further explained that Healthy PA reforms include expanding the number of County residents who are covered under the PA State Medicaid and the Healthchoices Program. To prepare for this reform, changes are being implemented to include cost-sharing requirements, correlate benefits to actual healthcare needs, and place limitations on certain benefits. Coverage for newly eligible residents who apply for the expanded Medicaid program is intended to be January 1, 2015 concurrent with the DPW Amendment.

All the highly technical changes have been reviewed by the Southwest Behavioral Health Management Legal Counsel as well as actuaries and has been approved for signature. These changes along with the documents have also been made available to each of the Armstrong and Indiana County solicitors.

AMENDMENT TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE SW-6 COUNTIES AND VALUE BEHAVIORAL HEALTH OF PA, INC. / BDHP

Ms. Calderon explained that concurrent with the previously discussed Health PA changes it is necessary that the Southwest -6 County Agreement with Value Behavioral Health also be amended in order to bind VBH-PA to the terms of the DPW Amendment. All of the same language changes made to the County and DPW agreement have been incorporated to the SW-6 and VBH agreement.

A motion was made by Mr. Baker, seconded by Ms. Evanko and unanimously carried to approve the amended the January 1, 2014 agreement between the counties of Armstrong, Butler, Indiana, Lawrence, Washington and Westmoreland and Value Behavioral Health of PA to incorporate the required DPW changes as a result of the implementation of Health PA.

OTHER BUSINESS

Commissioner Ruddock said that KDKA was at the Jimmy Stewart Museum to help the Chamber of Commerce promote what is happening in Indiana County. Mr. Jim Struzzi was present and said the event went well.

Commissioner Ruddock said they received notice that \$3.4 million worth of grant dollars will be released to Indiana County. Homer City Borough will receive \$497,656.00 for new ADA compliant sidewalks and lighting. East Mahoning Township will receive \$350,000.00 for the resurfacing of Richmond Road. The Indiana County Development Corporation will receive \$876,750.00 for the Route 286 Corridor new Windy Ridge Complex. Indiana County will receive \$1.7 million for the multi-purpose pedestrian bridge over Route 22 to connect the Hoodlbug and Blairsville River Front Trails. Commissioner Ruddock said these are competitive dollars and it does not come out of the money required for the transportation upgrades and are a separate funding model for multi-model type of operations. He applauds the efforts of Senator Don White, Representatives Dave Reed, Jeff Pyle, and Sam Smith. Commissioner Evanko said the reason we were surprised to get the funding for the pedestrian bridge is because a week ago a letter was received that it wasn't funded. This brings enthusiasm back into getting this project completed.

Commissioner Ruddock said that Community District Workshops are being held at the Kovalchick Convention and Athletic Center. These workshops are being held by Indiana County to help develop a concept plan for making a better place to live and grow. Often times there

aren't enough public discussions of what people want in Indiana County and this gives them the chance to do so. Commissioner Evanko said there are dedicated people in the community that are attending these workshops to give their vision of what they would like to see for the future in this district. Students from Indiana County came in also and they may have a different vision than what adults do and if they see their vision they may stay in Indiana County. Commissioner Baker said it was impressive to see at the Elected Officials Meeting the levels of cooperation between the different entities that have to come together to make this work.

COURTHOUSE CLOSED...TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2014 VETERANS DAY HOLIDAY

Commissioner Ruddock announced that the courthouse will be closed on Tuesday, November 11, 2014 in observance of the Veterans Day Holiday.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING...NOVEMBER 12, 2014 AT 10:30 A.M.

The next regular scheduled Commissioners' Public meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 12, 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 11:20 a.m.

Patricia A. Evanko, Secretary

Rodney D. Ruddock, Chairman