Commissioners' Board Meeting May 22, 2008

The Berks County Board of Commissioners met in regular session on Thursday, May 22, 2008, at 10:30 A.M. in the Board meeting room on the thirteenth floor of the Berks County Services Center, pursuant to due notice to Board members and the public.

Commissioner Chair Mark C. Scott called the meeting to order with Commissioner Christian Leinbach and Commissioner Kevin Barnhardt in attendance. Also present were the Chief Clerk Terry L. Styer, County Solicitor Alan Miller, Esq., and County Administrator William E. Dennis.

Commissioner Scott opened the meeting with a moment of silence and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

Business from the floor:

Commissioner Leinbach asked Community Development Director Ken Pick to update the board on the Grand Street TIF project in Hamburg Borough. Mr. Pick reported that the Hamburg School District voted to participate in the TIF at an 80/20 percent contribution rate rather that the 100% commitment made by the County. Commissioner Barnhardt suggested that the TIF committee meet with the Business Manager of the Hamburg School District and report back before any consideration is made by the County to rescind the resolution committing 100% of the TIF revenue to the project.

Approval of Minutes and Consent Agenda

Commissioner Barnhardt made a motion to approve the minutes of the May 13, 2008 Commissioners' Workshop, the May 15, 2008 Commissioners' meeting as well as the consent agenda items. Commissioner Leinbach seconded the motion and all voted yes to approve.

Consent Agenda Items

- 1. Authorizing:
 - 146.08 A. Resolution authorizing 2008 Budget Transfers in the amount of \$11,900 and 2008 Appropriations in the amount \$30,834 per listing dated May 16, 2008.
 - 147.08 B. Resolution authorizing the execution of the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency Hazardous Materials Response Fund Application and Agreement for the period of July 1, 2008 to June 30, 2009.
 - 148.08 C. Human Resource Recommendations per list dated May 20, 2008.

- 149.08 D. Resolution authorizing execution of a Settlement Agreement and Release regarding County litigation.
- 150.08 E. Resolution authorizing Mark C. Scott as Chair to execute the Annual Supplemental Agreement No. 520651-I between the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, acting through the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation, and the County of Berks for reimbursement up to \$372,445.00 for transportation planning activities to be performed by the Berks County Planning Commission staff in accordance with the FY 2008-2009 Unified Planning Work Program.
- 151.08 F. Resolution approving the Berks Department of Veterans Affairs Transportation Policy and Flag Holder Policy.
- 152.08 G. Resolution approving an amendment to the Environmental Permit Review Policy
- 2. Motion authorizing Mark C. Scott, as Chairman of the Board, to execute Contract Agreements/Amendments as furnished by the Contract Coordinator, per attached listing dated May 16, 2008.
- 3. Motion authorizing the use of the Berks Agricultural Center for the purpose of hosting a Berks County Tax Forum on July 28, 2008.

Reports:

- 1. County Administrator Bill Dennis read the weekly Treasurer's report prepared by Treasurer Nelson Long, CPA.
- 2. Deputy County Controller Mark Hansen presented the weekly Controller's report.

Citizen Comment / Business from the Floor

Solicitor Miller updated the board on the status of the Antietam Lake property saying that all the settlement papers will be going out this week for signature and projected that the all transactions should be wrapped up with a couple of weeks.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:25 A.M.

Respectfully Submitted,

Terry L. Styer, Chief Clerk