

COMMISSIONERS' PUBLIC MEETING
May 3, 2012

The Armstrong County Board of Commissioners' Public Meeting was called to order on Thursday, May 3, 2012, at 1:30 pm in the Commissioners' Conference Room with the following in attendance: Commissioner David K. Battaglia, Commissioner Robert T. Bower, Commissioner Richard L. Fink, George J. Skamai, Chief Clerk, Mitch Fryer – Leader Times, Josh Walzak – Leader Vindicator, Jonathan Weaver – Kittanning Paper, Tammie Gaff – Armstrong County Controller's Office, Myra Miller - Armstrong County Controller, Pam Struble – Assistant, Belmont Complex, Rich Palilla – Executive Director, Planning & Development, Carmen Johnson – Assistant Director, Armstrong County Planning & Development, Maryanne Koleny – Director of Human Resources, Roy Carney – Director, Armstrong County Public Works, David Mansour – Director, Health Center, Mr. Chris Brewer – Partner, Dinsmore & Shohl, Janet Talerico – Executive Director, Area Agency on Aging, Beth Costanzo – Director of Nursing, Armstrong County Health Center, Janet McKinley – Director of Finance, Armstrong County Health Center, Gerry Miller – Town and Country Transit, Patti Baker – Town and Country Transit, Denise Minton – Mission Pharmacy, Paul Daisley – Diamond Pharmacy, Mike Rogalski – Diamond Pharmacy

Mr. Battaglia announced that this meeting is being recorded.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, the minutes for the April 18, 2012 Public Meeting were approved.

BID OPENING

Compressor for a CARRIER 170 Ton Chiller, Armstrong County Jail

Mr. Carney stated that the compressor at the jail has been operating at 50 percent capacity and needs to be replaced.

Ms. Miller announced that they have received the following four bids for the compressor:

Company	City	Envelope titled & Sealed	Bid Bond or Check	Total Bid
Q-DOT	Pittsburgh	Yes	Yes	\$30,540.00
Wayne Crouse Inc.	Pittsburgh	Yes	Yes	\$32,200.00
A-Air Company Inc.	Sewickley	Yes	Yes	\$30,393.00
Quality Mechanical Services	Verona	Yes	Yes	\$27,600.00

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, based on the recommendation of Mr. Carney the bid for the Compressor for a CARRIER 170 Ton Chiller, at the Armstrong County Jail was awarded to Quality Mechanical Services, of Verona in the amount of \$27,600.00.

PROCLAMATIONS

Adopt Proclamation 2012-14 Older Americans Month

Ms. Talerico stated that May has annually been Older Americans Month, noting that 25 percent of the population in Armstrong County is over the age of 60. She described the importance of recognizing our older citizen's talents and achievements. Ms. Talerico announced that there would be a senior spelling bee that afternoon with 13 participants; also May 9th is Older Americans Day with a special recognition of volunteers and buffet. She closed her comments by announcing that the Senior Art show will be May 23rd at the Area Agency on Aging Office from 11am to 6:30pm with a chance to meet the artists from 4:30 to 6:30pm.

Mr. Fink read aloud the proclamation.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, the Commissioners adopted Proclamation 2012-14 Older Americans Month.

ORDINANCE

Ordinance 2012-6 Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development

Mr. Brewer stated that the ordinance will provide for two primary purposes; it will re-bond the 2007 Bonds which will save a substantial debt service, and allow for funds to complete the updates and building for the 911 Emergency Response System. He stated that this is a draft which is set not to exceed the maximum amount 26 million and that it is scheduled to be completed by the end of the month.

Mr. Brewer read aloud the Ordinance.

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried with Mr. Battaglia voting no, the Commissioners adopted Ordinance 2012-6 for Pennsylvania Department of Community & Economic Development. Mr. Battaglia justified his veto, stating that he wants it to be on record the need for all offices to be vigilant and prudent in regards the county's spending and budget.

AGREEMENTS / CONTRACTS

Mid-County Transit Authority DBA Town & Country Transit

Ms. Baker explained that this agreement is a step in the process of Mid-County Transit Authority to receive their Act 44 Grant money in the amount of \$502,281. To be eligible for the grant they must secure a local match agreement of \$34,480 of which the county is responsible for \$6,000.

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, pending the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the Agreement between Armstrong County and Mid-County Transit Authority DBA Town & Country Transit.

Short Form Tower License Agreement with Crown Castle

Mr. Brozenick explained that the state has contracted Crown Castle to manage all of the tower sites and this is necessary to continue the project.

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the Short Form Tower License Agreement between Armstrong County and Crown Castle.

Easement Agreement with State Game Lands

Mr. Brozenick stated that this agreement will provide radio tower coverage in the southern part of the county.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the Easement Agreement between Armstrong County and State Game Lands.

Easement Agreement with Allegheny Valley Land Trust

Mr. Brozenick explained that this is a small piece of land that will provide coverage for the radio tower project; the easement was necessary to install fiber optic lines.

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the Easement Agreement between Armstrong County and Allegheny Valley Land Trust.

Worker's Compensation Self-Insurance Program Service Agreement with BABB Absence Management Services

Ms. Koleny stated that this is a renewal of a one year agreement and that it does not reflect any increase in cost.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the Worker's Compensation Self-Insurance Program Service Agreement between Armstrong County and BABB Absence.

KidStuff Coupon Book

Ms. Struble described the coupon book as a fundraiser in Pittsburgh, and affirmed that it taken place in previous years.

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the agreement between Armstrong County and KidStuff Coupon Book.

RESOLUTION

Resolution 2012-04 John Scozio, Esq. of Thorp Reed for Legal Services to the Courts

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, the Commissioners approved the adoption of Resolution 2012-04 between Armstrong County and John Scozio, Esq. of Thorp Reed for legal services to the Courts.

Mr. Battaglia read aloud the Resolution.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Career T.R.A.C.K. Board of Directors

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, the Commissioners approved the appointment of Mr. William H. Langer, Freeport Transport Industries, Inc., 1200 Butler Road, Freeport, PA 16229, to a one year term on the Career T.R.A.C.K. Board of Directors to expire on June 30, 2013.

BID AWARD

Award Bid for the Armstrong County Health Center Pharmacy Service Provider

Mr. Mansour described the process of selecting bid requirements and qualifications. He stated that four bids were received but the solicitor's review recommended that the bid from ICP Pharmacy be rejected due to incomplete information. The other three bids meet the requirements and were read aloud as follows:

Pharmacy	Town	Amount
Mission Pharmacy	Kittanning	\$27,256.74
Diamond Pharmacy	Indiana	\$26,399.55
Leechburg Pharmacy	Leechburg	\$28,484.60

Mr. Mansour recommended that the lowest bid from Diamond Pharmacy be awarded the contract.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried with Mr. Battaglia abstaining, based on the recommendation of Mr. Mansour and the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners award Armstrong County Health Center Pharmacy Bid to Diamond Pharmacy, of Indiana, in the amount of \$26,399.55, beginning June 1, 2012.

Belmont Electrical Contract Bid to Right Electric, Inc.

Ms. Johnson clarified that the bid opening was held at the last Public Meeting on April 18, 2012 and stated that after review and tabulation, she is asking that the Commissioners acknowledge the bid for the Belmont Electrical Contract be awarded to Right Electric.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously the Commissioners acknowledged the award of the Belmont Complex Electrical Bid to Right Electric, Inc.

OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENT

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, the Commissioners acknowledged the Financial Transactions for April 2012.

Mr. Fryer asked for Mr. Battaglia to clarify his reason for abstaining on the Armstrong County Health Center Pharmacy Bid. Mr. Battaglia stated that the county code dictates that the lowest qualified bidder be awarded the contract, but acknowledged that he was hesitant to make it a unanimous vote due to the loss of business to Mission Pharmacy, the current provider and county-based business.

Mr. Weaver requested clarification of the ordinance and bond refinancing. Mr. Brewer addressed his questions emphasizing that the process was ongoing and some of the details have yet to be resolved.

Mr. Fryer questioned the decision by Mr. Battaglia to abstain from rather than veto his vote in regards to the Armstrong County Health Center Pharmacy Bid. Mr. Battaglia cited the county code requiring acceptance of the lowest qualified bid and that it would be a violation by the board to proceed otherwise. He stated that his abstention was an effort for the board to show support for Mission Pharmacy, a local business entity which had previously serviced the Health Center's pharmacy needs.

Ms. Minton noted the bid difference as \$800 and expressed her concerns regarding the impact that Mission Pharmacy will face when they are no longer the service provider for the Health Center. The Board of Commissioners affirmed that they were following the bid procedure and that the lowest qualified bid was accepted.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously; the Commissioners adjourned the Public Meeting at 2:12 pm. The next Public Meeting will be held Thursday, May 17, 2012 at 1:30 pm.