

**COMMISSIONERS' PUBLIC MEETING  
September 20, 2012**



THE ARMSTRONG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER ON THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20, 2012 AT 1:30 PM IN THE COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM WITH THE FOLLOWING IN ATTENDANCE:

Commissioner David K. Battaglia, Commissioner, Richard L. Fink, George J. Skamai, Chief Clerk, Mitch Fryer – Leader Times, Josh Walzak – Leader Vindicator, Jonathan Weaver – Kittanning Paper, Marianne Hileman – Armstrong County Register & Recorder, Myra Miller – Armstrong County Controller, Carmen Johnson – Assistant Director, Armstrong County Planning & Development, Randy Brozenick – Director, Public Safety, Janet Talerico – Executive Director, Armstrong County Area Agency on Aging, Doug Hill – Executive Director of County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania, Marie Dillon – Griffith – PA Career Link, JoEllen Bowman – Executive Director, HAVIN, Representing Community Action Agency: Kenneth Heilman - Director, Linda Cornman, Dan Dodd.

Mr. Battaglia noted that Mr. Bower was absent from today's meeting while attending a Coroner's Conference in Lancaster County.

Mr. Battaglia announced that this meeting is being recorded.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Battaglia and carried unanimously, the minutes for the September 6, 2012 Public Meeting were approved.

**BID OPENING**

**Furniture for the Public Safety Building**

Mr. Brozenick announced that bids were advertised for pre-owned furniture for the new Public Safety Building.

Ms. Miller stated that the only bid received was from Tri-State Office Furniture of Pittsburgh in the amount of \$22,749.00. She noted that a Cashier's Check was included.

Mr. Brozenick recommended accepting the bid, but reserving the right to inspect and accept or reject each individual piece. He noted that purchasing the pre-owned furniture is a substantial savings compared to the new pieces that would have cost over \$56,000.00. The Commissioners expressed their appreciation for the staff of Public Safety's cost saving efforts.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Battaglia and carried unanimously, based on the recommendation of Mr. Brozenick, the Board awarded the bid for the pre-owned office furniture to Tri-State Office Furniture of Pittsburgh in the amount of \$22,749.00, contingent on acceptance of each piece individually.

### **PROCLAMATION**

#### **Proclamation 2012-19 Employee the Older Workers Week**

Mr. Battaglia read aloud the proclamation.

The Commissioners commended the work done by the older workers and the employees at Area Agency on Aging for the opportunities that their efforts provide to the area's seniors.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Battaglia and carried unanimously, the Board approved Proclamation 2012-19 Employee the Older Workers Week.

### **AGREEMENTS / CONTRACTS**

#### **Alcatel Lucent**

Mr. Brozenick explained that Alcatel has been contracted to provide the network for the 911 Center. He stated that after approval of the contract, Mission Critical Partners reviewed the equipment and found that some equipment could be eliminated. This change order reflects the \$4,000.00 savings.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Battaglia and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners acknowledged the Change Order between Armstrong County and Alcatel Lucent.

#### **Apollo Senior Center at Apollo Hose Company #3**

Ms. Talerico stated that this is a standard lease, and noted that they are pleased to continue working with Apollo Hose Company #3.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Battaglia and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners acknowledged the Apollo Senior Center Lease Agreement between Armstrong County and Apollo Hose Company #3.

#### **IMR Ltd.**

Ms. Hileman explained that this contract will replace the microfiche machine in the Register & Recorder's office.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Battaglia and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the agreement between Armstrong County and IMR Ltd.

#### **Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD)**

Ms. Bowman stated that the Violence Against Women Act is a competitive grant that will be hosted by HAVIN, but must be signed by the County Commissioners. She detailed the changes they have made in allocations as: 41% to Victim Services, 28% to Law Services and 31% to assist the prosecution and Assistant District Attorneys. Ms. Bowman affirmed that while the grant is for \$125,000 annually for three years, the state does a re-evaluation each year before releasing the funding. She was pleased to announce that Armstrong County is noted as a top county in accomplishing phenomenal goals and improving the relationship between the three groups to attain a positive outcome for the victims.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Battaglia and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the agreement between Armstrong County and Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD).

#### HAVIN Agreement

Ms. Bowman explained that this is part of the aforementioned grant but is necessary for HAVIN to distribute the money due to the District Attorney's Office.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Battaglia and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the agreement between Armstrong County and HAVIN (Helping All Victims In Need).

#### **RESOLUTION**

##### Resolution 2012-11 Revision / Modification County of Armstrong OBO Kiskiminetas Township 2008, 2009, 2010 CDBG

Ms. Johnson stated this Resolution is to request the County of Armstrong OBO Kiskiminetas transfer \$117.00 from FFY 2008 Kiskiminetas Township Building Renovation Project (Removal of Architectural Barriers); transfer \$30,740.21 from FFY 2009 Jackson Drainage Area Phase I Sanitary Sewer Project; transfer \$55,822.00 from FFY 2010 Jackson Drainage Area Phase I/II Sanitary Sewer Project; transfer \$2,821.80 from FFY 2010 Kiskiminetas Township Building Renovation Project (Removal of Architectural Barriers) to Shady Plain Road Water Line Extension Phase I Project.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Battaglia and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor and the recommendation of the Township Supervisors, the Commissioners approved Resolution 2012-11 Revision / Modification County of Armstrong OBO Kiskiminetas Township 2008, 2009, 2010 CDBG.

##### Resolution 2012-13 Revision County of Armstrong OBO Pine Township 2008 CDBG

Ms. Johnson stated that through the County of Armstrong OBO Pine Township's FY 2008 Competitive CDBG Program, it is being requested that consideration be given for the revision of a total of \$24,743.51 from the administration line item into the Rehab: Single-Unit Residential Delivery Costs line item to provide enough revenue to cover the delivery costs associated with the project.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Battaglia and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved Resolution 2012-13 Revision County of Armstrong OBO Pine Township 2008 CDBG.

#### Resolution 2012-12 Emergency Solutions Grant

Mr. Dodd explained that Armstrong County Community Action Agency would like to apply on behalf of the County to the Housing Urban Development (HUD) funding to provide emergency housing and rapid re-housing to those in need. He stated that this is a two year grant that will replace program funding that is no longer available.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Battaglia and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved Resolution 2012-12 Emergency Solutions Grant.

#### **OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENT**

Ms. Bowman expressed her appreciation for the work that Community Action Agency performs, especially noting that they provide a variety programs that enables HAVIN to help those seeking assistance.

Mr. Fink introduced Doug Hill, Executive Director of the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania (CCAP). Mr. Fink credited Mr. Hill with providing guidance and assistance to him when he was a new commissioner and for promoting worthwhile programs throughout the state. Mr. Hill stated that he is on a tour of all 67 counties in Pennsylvania in an effort to learn more about each area and to promote CCAP. He made special mention of Act 13 which imposes a Marcellus Shale drilling fee that could potentially generate hundreds of thousands of dollars for the County and State budget.

#### **ADJOURN**

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Battaglia and carried unanimously; the Commissioners adjourned the Public Meeting at 1:55 pm. The next Public Meeting will be held Thursday, October 4, 2012 at 1:30 pm.