

COMMISSIONERS' PUBLIC MEETING
April 4, 2013



THE ARMSTRONG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER ON THURSDAY, APRIL 4, 2013 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, County Administrator/Chief Clerk, Josh Walzak – Leader Vindicator, Jonathan Weaver – Kittanning Paper, Brigid Beatty – Leader Times, Myra Miller – Armstrong County Controller, Amanda Hiles – Armstrong County Treasurer, Gary Montebell – Director, Armstrong County Belmont Complex, Carmen Johnson – Assistant Director, Armstrong County Planning & Development, Mary Anne Koleny – Director, Armstrong County Human Resources, David Mansour – Administrator, Armstrong County Health Center, Kevin Shepard – Deputy Warden, Armstrong County Jail, Laurie Johns – HAVIN, Beth Milanak – Kittanning Library, Patty Goldman – Kittanning Library, Regina Liermann – Taxpayer, Honored Retirees: Bonnie Eisenhuth, William Delaney, Shirley Robinson, Jim Scahill, Claire Armitage, Sue Morgan.

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 March 7, 2013 Public Meeting were approved.

Mr. Battaglia noted that the Public Meeting that would have been held March 21, 2013 was not held due to the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania Conference.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, the minutes for the March 28, 2013 Special Public Meeting were approved.

PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamation 2013 Sexual Assault Awareness Month

Ms. Johns expressed appreciation on behalf of HAVIN for the assistance and support the County Commissioners provide in helping raise awareness to HAVIN's efforts.

Mr. Fink read aloud the proclamation.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, the Board adopted Proclamation 2013 Sexual Assault Awareness Month.

Proclamation 2013 Kittanning Public Library 90 Years of Service

Ms. Milanak announced that Thursday, April 18, 2013 from 5 to 8 pm there will be an Open House at the Kittanning Library. She invited everyone to attend.

Mr. Bower read aloud the proclamation.

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, the board adopted Proclamation 2013 Kittanning Public Library 90 Years of Service.

2013 Armstrong County Chamber of Commerce Proclamations

Mr. Battaglia acknowledged the proclamations that the Board signed at the March 26, 2013 Public Work Session for the 2013 Armstrong County Chamber of Commerce Proclamations. He announced the following award winners:

- 2013 Golden Apple Award for Excellence in Education - Andrea Fahlor
- 2013 Golden Apple Award for Excellence in Education - Devin Lorigan
- 2013 Volunteer Citizen of the Year - Gwen Hickman
- 2013 Junior Volunteer Citizen of the Year - Abigail Drumm
- 2013 Community Champion Lieutenant - Thomas Dubovi
- 2013 Chamber Business of the Year - KPM Herkules

BID AWARD

Addition and Renovations to the Armstrong County Belmont Complex – Rebid Phase III Project

Ms. Johnson stated that a special Public Meeting was held on March 28, 2013 to open the re-bids for the Phase III Project of the Belmont Complex. She recommended the following bids for acceptance:

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| • General Construction: | Sterling Contracting | \$1,375,000.00 |
| • Electrical Contract: | Right Electric | \$214,444.00 |
| • Plumbing Contract: | McRandal Company | \$257,400.00 |
| • Mechanical Contract: | D&G Mechanical | \$139,900.00 |

Ms. Liermann expressed concerns of how taxpayer money is being used for facilities and meetings that she feels are purely recreational and of no benefit to her and others. Mr. Palilla and Ms. Johnson gave a breakdown of the finances for the project. Mr. Fink described regional public meetings that were previously held for public input on the Belmont Renovations.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, pending the solicitor's review, based on the recommendation of Ms. Johnson, the Board approved the bid awards for the Addition and Renovations to the Armstrong County Belmont Complex – Rebid Phase III Project.

RESOLUTION

Resolution #2013-7 Modification 2010 FEMA Grant

Ms. Johnson explained that the County received grant money for the new Emergency Operating Center and they would like to modify the remaining uncommitted \$257,373.00 from the budget line items to the construction line items.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, pending the solicitor's review, the Board approved Resolution #2013-7 Modification 2010 FEMA Grant.

AGREEMENTS / CONTRACTS

West Hills Area Water Pollution Control Authority

Ms. Johnson stated that the West Hills Area Water Pollution Control Authority received PENNVIST funding to be used with local funding for their Sanitary Sewerage System Project in the Furnace Run and Walkchalk areas of East Franklin Township and Center Hill area of North Buffalo. She recommended the following construction contracts:

- Furnace Run to Mortimer's Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$958,689.90
- Walkchalk to Mortimer's Excavating, Inc. in the amount of \$1,193,743.90
- Center Hill to R.A. Monzo Construction Co., Inc. in the amount of \$3,179,675.06

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, based on the solicitor's review, the Board approved the contracts between Armstrong County with both Mortimer's Excavating and R.A. Monzo Construction.

Stericycle

Mr. Shepard explained that this contract provides for the removal of medical waste from the Armstrong County Jail and provides a mid-contract reduction in costs. Mr. Fink noted that it was discussed and approved at the Prison Board meeting of March 12, 2013.

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, based on the solicitor's review, the Board acknowledged the addendum between Armstrong County and Stericycle.

Pennsylvania District Attorneys Institute (PDAI)

Mr. Shepard stated that the Jail is required by law to notify victims of any changes in an offender's status. He explained that this service provided by PDAI will electronically fulfill that requirement to any registered participants. Mr. Shepard also noted that the program is at no cost to the county and is funded through the Inmate Relief Fund.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, pending the solicitor's review, the Board approved the agreement between Armstrong County and Pennsylvania District Attorneys Institute (PDAI).

DSI-ITI, LLC

Mr. Shepard explained that DSI-ITI, LLC stands for Digital Solutions Incorporated and Inmate Telephone Incorporated, and provides telephone and banking services to inmates. He stated that this amendment in the agreement will increase fees but will be returned as revenue to the county.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, pending the solicitor's review, the Board approved the amendment between Armstrong County and DSI-ITI, LLC.

Stericycle

Mr. Mansour stated that Stericycle will offer a flat rate of \$200 per month to remove bio-hazard from the Armstrong County Health Center. He noted that this contract will replace the former contract with Bio-Hazard Solutions.

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, pending the solicitor's review, the Board approved the agreement between Armstrong County and Stericycle.

Federal Insurance Company

Ms. Miller explained that this agreement protects the Retirement Board's Fiduciary Responsibility to the pensioners. Ms. Liermann questioned the financing and need for the agreement. Mr. Fink explained that the funding came from investments that were made for the retirement fund. Ms. Miller stated that the agreement is to insure the Retirement Board's decisions.

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, based on the solicitor's review and the recommendation of the Retirement Board, the Board approved the agreement between Armstrong County and Federal Insurance Company.

United Food & Commercial Workers Local 23

Ms. Koleny stated that this agreement represents the Registered Nurses at the Health Center and is a four year agreement.

Ms. Liermann requested clarification of the wage and if it included an increase. Ms. Koleny affirmed it did include a 2.75 percent increase.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, based on the review by the Labor Consultant, the Board approved the agreement between Armstrong County and United Food & Commercial Workers Local 23.

UPMC Health Network, Inc.

Ms. Koleny described this as the agreement for the caseworkers at Children, Youth and Family Services and is a renewal of a previous agreement.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, based on the solicitor's review, the Board approved the agreement between Armstrong County and UPMC Health Network, Inc.

OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENT

Announcement of Liquid Fuels County Aid Awards

Mr. Palilla stated that twenty-nine applications were submitted for funding through the County's 2013 Liquid Fuels County Aid Program, requesting a total of approximately \$370,488.61. With approximately \$100,000 being made available through the program, applications were evaluated with emphasis being placed on the level of local match, and those municipalities not previously funded. Based upon the evaluation, nine municipalities were selected to receive funding.

Mr. Battaglia announced a total of \$106,773.81 of County Aid funding will be distributed among the following nine municipalities:

Rayburn Township, \$15,000 for multi use road project.

Freeport Borough, \$12,000 for milling and paving of 4th, 3rd Streets and part of Cherry Way

Cadogan Township, \$15,000 for alley paving between Chestnut Street and First Avenue

Elderton Borough, \$2,116.81 for drainage, piping and catch basin installation at S. Wood Street, S. 8th Alley and Main Street

North Buffalo Township, \$15,000 for pavement improvements and storm sewer replacement at Ferne Drive at Dogwood Lane

Worthington Borough, \$15,000 for surface coat on Spruce Lane

Kiskiminetas Township, \$15,000 for paving of Highland Avenue

Leechburg Borough, \$5,157 for installation of safety guiderails on Third Street between Floral and Kirkpatrick Avenues

Ford Cliff Borough, \$12,500 for spreading and packing of gravel on Maple, Walnut, Chestnut, Cherry and Birch Alleys

Mr. Palilla stated that in the past five years, the Commissioners have awarded approximately \$560,000 for projects in 37 municipalities in Armstrong County. He added that in order to receive County Liquid Fuels funds, the nine municipalities will need to submit PennDot form MS-339 through PennDot's online system "dotGrants".

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously the Board approved the Liquid Fuels County Aid Awards.

Voting Deadlines Announced

On behalf of the Director of Elections Wendy Buzard, Mr. Battaglia announced that absentee ballot applications are now available and the last day to register to vote for the Spring Primary is April 22, 2013.

Acknowledge Financial Transactions for March 2013

On a motion by Mr. Bower seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, the Board acknowledged the financial transactions for March 2013.

Recognition of 2012 Retirees

On behalf of the Retirement Board Ms. Miller announced and with the assistance of Ms. Hiles, presented plaques or certificates to the 2012 Retirees. She noted that the Retirement Board is comprised of the Board of Commissioners, Amanda Hiles, Treasurer and herself, the County Controller. The Retirement Board expressed their appreciation to all the Retirees.

The following Retirees attended the meeting:

Claire Y. Armitage	Treasurer	20 Years	1991 to 2012*
William Delaney	Jail	4 Years	2008 to 2012*
Bonnie Eisenhuth	AAA	4 Years	2006 to 2012*
Susan Morgan	Tax Claim	13 Years	1999 to 2012*
Shirley A. Robinson	Health Center	27 Years	1986 to 2012*
James V. Scahill	Commissioner	20 Years	1992 to 2012*
Glenda Schmidt	Health Center	9 Years	2002 to 2012*

Mr. Battaglia noted that Mr. Scahill is still assisting the county with his service on the Industrial Development Authority Board. The Board applauded all of the retirees and wished them health and enjoyment in the upcoming years.

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 2:20 pm. The next Public Meeting will be held Thursday, April 18, 2013 at 1:30 pm.