

COMMISSIONERS' PUBLIC MEETING

May 2, 2013



THE ARMSTRONG COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PUBLIC MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER ON THURSDAY, MAY 2, 2013 AT 11:00 AM 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, Brigid Beatty – Leader Times, Myra Miller – Armstrong County Controller, Gary Montebell – Director, Armstrong County Belmont Complex, Carmen Johnson – Assistant Director, Armstrong County Planning & Development, David Mansour – Administrator, Armstrong County Health Center, Janet Talerico – Executive Director, Armstrong County Area Agency on Aging, Carly Cowan – Director, Armstrong County Finance Department, Kay Owen – HEALTHY Armstrong.

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, 2013 Public Meeting were approved.

PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamation 2013-13 Healthy Armstrong

Ms. Owen explained that May is Healthy County Month. She stated that next week a doctor from UPMC Pittsburgh will be in the area to present two studies involving students in the Armstrong School District.

Mr. Bower read aloud the proclamation.

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, the Board adopted Proclamation 2013-13 Healthy Armstrong.

Mr. Bower described the success of HEALTHY Armstrong and how it is being measured and monitored.

Proclamation 2013-14 Rivers' Month

Mr. Battaglia read aloud the proclamation.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, the Board adopted Proclamation 2013-14 Rivers' Month.

Proclamation 2013-15 Older Americans Month

Ms. Talerico stated that May is designated as Older Americans Month and noted that it is special that Armstrong County has a designated Older Americans Day, as not many communities do. She noted that one in four County residents is over the age of 60. Ms. Talerico announced the following upcoming events: A Spelling Bee was being held this afternoon, on May 8, Older Americans Day is scheduled with Volunteer Recognition at 1:30pm and a special buffet at 2:00pm. She also invited everyone to attend the Senior Art Exhibit on May 22, at the Area Agency on Aging offices on Water Street, Kittanning.

Mr. Fink read aloud the proclamation.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, the Board adopted Proclamation 2013-15 Older Americans Month.

BID AWARD

Glade Run Road and Bypass Road Water Line Extension Project to Tim Fouse Excavating

Ms. Johnson stated that the County was awarded a \$500,000.00 FFY 2010 Competitive Community Development Block Grant for construction of the Glade Run Road and ByPass Road Water Line Extension Project. She noted that additional funds of \$99,683.00 from the County's FFY 2010 CDBG Program Funds and \$270,317.00 from the Kittanning Suburban Joint Water Authority was committed towards this project. She announced that Tim Fouse Excavating presented the lowest bid at \$519,000.00.

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, pending the solicitor's review, based on the recommendation of Ms. Johnson and the Kittanning Suburban Joint Water Authority, the Board approved the bid award for the Glade Run Road and By Pass Road Water Line Extension Project to Tim Fouse Excavating.

AGREEMENTS / CONTRACTS

Medicine and Health Hospital

Mr. Mansour explained that the transfer agreement allows for routine transfers and admissions between Armstrong County Health Center and the Armstrong County Memorial Hospital.

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

Otis Elevator

Mr. Mansour stated that this agreement is for Armstrong County Health Center and the Armstrong County Courthouse and extends the contracts to 2019 and 2020 respectively. He noted that the monthly cost on both contracts has been reduced and will be a cost savings to the county. Mr. Fink expressed his appreciation to Mr. Roy Carney, the director of Public Works and to Mr. Mansour for working to mesh these contracts and create the resulting savings.

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 Otis Elevator.

Veronica Beere, Dietitian

Mr. Mansour noted that Ms. Beere has been working with the Armstrong County Health Center since 1999 as a part time dietitian for eight hours a week at the rate of \$20.00 per hour. He explained that this

agreement would raise that fee to \$20.75 per hour and incur an additional \$6.00 per week in cost to the Health Center's budget.

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 Veronica Beere, Dietitian.

AT&T Mobility Corporation

Mr. Mansour stated that the agreement is in regards to the communication antennas that AT&T has contracted with the County for the rooftop of the Health Center. He explained that they will be adding three more antennas which will generate an additional income of \$375.00 per month, noting that there are currently nine antennas at a rate of \$2,350.00 per month.

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 AT&T Mobility Corporation.

Kidstuff

Mr. Montebell stated that this annual contract that is part of a fundraiser for Pittsburgh Area schools is offered at no cost to the county and generates usage of the facilities.

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

Physio-Control, Inc.

Mr. Montebell stated that this is for the maintenance agreement for the AED at the Belmont. Mr. Bower asked if it was a contract in conjunction with the County or separate; he recommended looking to combine and strive for cost savings. Mr. Battaglia noted that the contract is in effect until 2015 and stated that they would consider consolidating contracts at that time.

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

New World Systems

Ms. Cowan stated that this is a renewal that has been in effect since 2005 and will be in effect until April of 2018 with a slight annual increase in cost that is consistent with previous years.

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 New World Systems.

BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Housing Authority of the County of Armstrong

On a motion by Mr. Bower, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, the Board approved the appointment of Mr. Larry Ondrizek, 3144 Sportsmen Road, Apollo, PA 15613, to the Housing Authority of the County of Armstrong for a term to expire February 1, 2016.

Belmont Advisory Board

Mr. Montebell recommended the individuals for re-appointments, noting that they are helpful and involved with the Belmont Complex.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Bower and carried unanimously, the Board approved the re-appointments of:

- Mr. Gary Pinkerton, 184 Alameda Park Road, Butler PA 16001, to a term to expire March 31, 2016
- Ms. Sue Gray, 13100 State Route 422, Kittanning PA 16201, to a term to expire March 31, 2016
- Ms. Mary Oberneder, 124 Rinker Hollow Road, Kittanning PA 16201, to a term to expire March 31, 2016
- Ms. Lisa Pongrantz, 272 Walkchalk Road, Kittanning PA 16201, to a term to expire March 31, 2016
- Ms. Mary Turner, 105 Murphy Bottom Road, Freeport PA 16229, to a term to expire March 31, 2016

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Pennsylvania State Climatologist

- A Service to the Commonwealth by the College of Earth and Mineral Sciences
- The Community Collaborative Rain, Hail and Snow Network (CoCoRaHS)

Mr. Bower described a letter that he has received from Penn State University that requests someone to monitor and report the amount of rainfall, snow or any precipitation that falls in the County on a daily basis.

OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Montebell announced that the Belmont has obtained lacrosse equipment through assistance by HEALTHY Armstrong and they are working to develop a lacrosse program. Ms. Owen stated that HEALTHY Armstrong has also purchased walking sticks and pedometers for students to use. She described a recent walk that almost 50 participants enjoyed on the trail and were able to see the bald eagle that resides along the river.

Acknowledge Financial Transactions for April 2013

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

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 11:32 am. The next Public Meeting will be held Thursday, May 16, 2013 at 1:30 pm.