

COMMISSIONERS' PUBLIC MEETING
June 16, 2011

The Armstrong County Board of Commissioners' Public Meeting was called to order on Thursday, June 16, 2011, at 1:30 pm in the Commissioners' Conference Room with the following in attendance: Commissioner Patricia L. Kirkpatrick, Commissioner Richard L. Fink, George J. Skamai – Chief Clerk, Commissioners' Office, Renatta Signorini – Leader Times, Josh Walzak – Leader Vindicator, Jonathan Weaver – Kittanning Paper, Amanda Hiles – Armstrong County Deputy Controller, Rich Palilla – Executive Director, Armstrong County Planning & Development, David Mansour – Administrator, Armstrong County Health Center, Jim Kuemmerle – Administrator, Armstrong – Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, Wendy Buzard – Director, Armstrong County Elections and Voter Registration, James Lockard – Mission Critical Partners

Commissioner James V. Scahill attended via telephone while traveling with the Wounded Warrior Walk.

Ms. Kirkpatrick announced that this meeting is being recorded.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Ms. Kirkpatrick and carried unanimously, the minutes for the June 2, 2011 Public Meeting were approved.

BID AWARD

2011 Armstrong County Bridge Maintenance Bids

The following bids were received at the June 2, 2011 meeting:

Company	Location	Bid Bond	Total Bid
Rhino Construction	Lower Burrell	Yes	\$97,719.00
Rural Valley Construction Inc.	Rural Valley	Yes	\$96,645.00
Thornbury, Inc.	West Sunbury	Yes	\$72,021.00

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Ms. Kirkpatrick and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor and the recommendation of Senate Engineering, the Commissioners acknowledged the bid award to Thornbury, Inc. of Sunbury in the amount of \$72,021.00. Mr. Palilla stated that the bids were opened at the June 2, 2011 and have been reviewed by Senate Engineering and approved by the Commissioners at the June 7, 2011 public work session.

AGREEMENTS / CONTRACTS

Dr. Terrance Moore New Medical Director for Armstrong County Health Center

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Ms. Kirkpatrick and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the new Medical Director Agreement for the Armstrong County Health Center between Armstrong County and Dr. Terence Moore. Mr. Mansour explained that Dr. Doerfler has resigned as medical director and that Dr. Terence Moore has accepted the position. The Commissioners introduced Mr. Mansour as the new administrator

of the Armstrong County Health Center. Ms. Nancy Dragan will be retiring as administrator from the Health Center as of June 17, 2011.

Armstrong – Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program’s Mental Health Plan Fiscal Years 2013 - 2017

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Scahill and carried unanimously, contingent on the approval of the Indiana County Commissioners, the Commissioners approved the Armstrong – Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program’s Mental Health Plan for Fiscal Years 2013 – 2017. Mr. Kuemmerle stated that information is gathered from the community and consumers to determine which programs are needed, where improvements need to be made and what types of programs need to be developed. He listed some of the programs that need to be evaluated and concentrated on as: increasing usage of the program, providing permanent supportive housing and developing a way to address crisis diversion problems. Mr. Kuemmerle is most proud of the current employment status for 15 of their mental health consumers.

Public Safety Carrier Grade 9-1-1 Customer Premises Equipment (CPE) and Network Design Solution with Mission Critical Partners (MCP)

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Scahill and carried unanimously, contingent upon the solicitor’s review, the Commissioners approved the Public Safety Carrier Grade 9-1-1 Customer Premises Equipment (CPE) and Network Design Solution between Armstrong County and Mission Critical Partners (MCP). Mr. Lockard stated that this is the next step in the Broadband Project, also noting that this process will keep Armstrong County as a leader in Region 13. He stated that this will allow for shared Network Solutions with other counties. The commissioners listed the cost as \$78,790.00 with the approximate cost of Phase I at \$35,000.00 and \$42,000.00 for Phase II.

Sale of Former Perry Township Election House to Perry Township

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Scahill and carried unanimously, the Commissioners approved the sale of the former Perry Township Election House to Perry Township. Ms. Buzard stated that the county has sold several old election houses recently and had contacted Perry Township in regards to interest in purchasing theirs. She stated the deed was prepared by the county solicitor and the purchase price is \$1.00.

OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENT

Mr. Scahill updated everyone on the third annual Wounded Warrior Walk; there are currently 19 walkers including four wounded warriors. He stated that they are working to collect more than last year’s amount of \$88,000.00. They have been warmly received by everyone and are touched by the support they have received.

The commissioners expressed their gratitude to Mr. Scahill and asked everyone to consider supporting the cause, donations are accepted at www.paheroswalk.com. Mr. Scahill invited everyone to come to the closing ceremonies on June 25th.

Mr. Fink commended Commissioner Scahill for his work. He then discussed the funeral he attended this morning for Sergeant Joseph Garrison who was killed in Afghanistan. Mr. Fink

stated that he is thankful and proud of all those who serve to protect our freedoms and in the case of Sergeant Garrison give their lives to protect ours.

Ms. Kirkpatrick offered her prayers to those who are serving, have served, are suffering wounds or have given their lives. She recognized the sacrifices they and their families' have given. She then described the long term goals and work that has been completed on the Radio Project. She stated that she feels the work and planning that has been done has kept Armstrong County as a leader and feels that this next step will be beneficial to several counties.

In response to Mr. Weaver's questions regarding county owned election houses, Ms. Buzard stated that the county currently owns and utilizes the Election House in Hovey Township.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Scahill and carried unanimously; the Commissioners adjourned the Public Meeting at 2:04 pm. The next Public Meeting will be held Thursday, July 7, 2011 at 1:30 pm.