

COMMISSIONERS' PUBLIC MEETING
November 3, 2011

The Armstrong County Board of Commissioners' Public Meeting was called to order on Thursday, November 3, 2011, at 1:30 pm in the Commissioners' Conference Room with the following in attendance: Commissioner Patricia L. Kirkpatrick, Commissioner Richard L. Fink, Commissioner James V. Scahill, George J. Skamai, Chief Clerk, Mitch Fryer – Leader Times, Josh Walzak – Leader Vindicator, Jonathan Weaver – Kittanning Paper, Myra Miller – Armstrong County Controller, Randy Brozenick, Director, Armstrong County Public Safety, Carmen Johnson – Assistant Director, Armstrong County Planning & Development, Rich Palilla - Executive Director, Armstrong County Planning & Development, Al Thomas – Armstrong County Deputy Coroner, Jim Lockard - Mission Critical Partners, John Moore, Jason Martino – James Construction, Paul Kormadur – K & K Plumbing Company, Daryl McWilliams – Fueugraf Electric, Amanda Smith – Nello Construction, Frank Hughes – UHL Construction, Sean Goodrick – Schrader Group, Nancy McClean - His Kids, Avery McLean, Kylee McLean, Manny McLean, Noah McLean, Isiah McLean, Kobe McLean.

Ms. Kirkpatrick announced that this meeting is being recorded.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Scahill and carried unanimously, the minutes for the October 20, 2011 Public Meeting were approved.

BID OPENING

New EOC Building

Please see the bids at the end of the minutes.

On a motion by Mr. Scahill, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, the Commissioners tabled the decision for tabulation. Mr. Brozenick stated that the evaluation process should be completed and ready for approval by the November 17, 2011 Public Meeting.

AGREEMENTS / CONTRACTS

Data Sharing Agreement with Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Scahill and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the Data Sharing Agreement between Armstrong County and Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry. Mr. Brozenick explained that this agreement will give the Public Safety Department the ability to log into the Pennsylvania Department of Labor and Industry and track the types of chemical and their movement of transportation through the area.

Change Order #1 with Tim Fouse Excavating

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Scahill and carried unanimously, pending the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved Change Order #1 to the contract between

Armstrong County and Tim Fouse Excavating. Ms. Johnson stated that the Sagamore Ninth Street Water Line Replacement Project has been completed under budget by \$221.00 and the change order is requested to reflect the difference in price from \$99,665 to \$99,444.

Redevelopment Assistance Grant for the Armstrong County Memorial Hospital

On a motion by Mr. Scahill, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the Redevelopment Assistance Grant for the Armstrong County Memorial Hospital. Mr. Palilla explained that the agreement will provide a 1.5 million dollar redevelopment assistance grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the Armstrong County Memorial Hospital Project. He stated the money will assist in the expansion of the hospital emergency room.

Redevelopment Assistance Grant for the Belmont Complex Project

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Scahill and carried unanimously, pending the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the Redevelopment Assistance Grant for the Belmont Complex Project. Mr. Palilla explained that the agreement will provide a 1.25 million dollar redevelopment assistance grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, for the improvements of the Belmont Complex Project.

McCauley Bridge Supplemental Reimbursement Agreement with PennDOT

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Scahill and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved the McCauley Bridge Supplemental Reimbursement Agreement between Armstrong County and PennDOT. Mr. Palilla stated that McCauley Bridge is a county owned bridge located in Boggs Township that will be revised and renovated. He detailed the original reimbursable amount as \$195,000 and stated that the supplement adds an additional \$1,693,900 in funds necessary for final design, right of way acquisition, utility relocation and construction. Mr. Palilla quoted the execution of this agreement as increasing the reimbursable amount from \$195,000 to \$1,888,900.

RESOLUTIONS

Resolution 2011-19 In Support of Growing Greener

On a motion by Mr. Scahill, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved Resolution 2011-19 In Support of Growing Greener. Ms. Kirkpatrick described that the request for the Growing Greener Resolution that was received from Commissioner J. Bracken Burns Sr. of Washington County, asking counties to support the resolution across the state. She outlined the text of the resolution as a request that the State continue to fund the projects made possible by the financial support to Growing Greener.

Resolution 2011-20 Modifications to Kittanning Borough's FY 2009 CDBG Program Year

On a motion by Mr. Scahill, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, pending the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved Resolution 2011-20 Modifications to Kittanning Borough's FY 2009 CDBG Program Year. Ms. Johnson explained that Kittanning Borough would like to modify the Fiscal Year 2009 CDBG Program, by deleting the 3rd Ward Road Reconstruction Project and moving \$50,044.87 of the funds into the Kittanning Business District Market Street

Revitalization Project. She stated that the money is needed to provide a match to a Redevelopment Capital Assistance Grant.

Resolution 2011-21 Modifications to Kittanning Borough's FY 2010 CDBG Program Year

On a motion by Mr. Scahill, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, pending the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved Resolution 2011-21 Modifications to Kittanning Borough's FY 2010 CDBG Program Year. Ms. Johnson explained that similar to the preceding resolution this modification will redirect \$97,113 of the FY 2010 CDBG Program from the deleted 3rd Ward Road Reconstruction Project into a designated match for the Redevelopment Capital Assistance Grant.

Resolution 2011-22 Designating Signature Authority for Armstrong County for McCauley Bridge Supplemental Reimbursement Agreement

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Scahill and carried unanimously, based on the review of the county solicitor, the Commissioners approved Resolution 2011-22 Designating Signature Authority for Armstrong County for McCauley Bridge Supplemental Reimbursement Agreement. Mr. Palilla stated that this Resolution is required by the state on all agreements; a designated signature must be selected for each state project.

PROCLAMATIONS

Proclamation 2011-26 Honoring His Kids and National Adoption Month

The Board of Commissioners commended the children in attendance for their patience and recognized their parents for their upbringing and excellent behavior. Ms. McLean stated that they have contacted every county in an effort for a statewide coverage of National Adoption Month. She then announced that there will be an adoption day in Armstrong County on November 9, 2011 where several adoptions will take place.

Mr. Fink read aloud the proclamation.

On a motion by Mr. Fink, seconded by Mr. Scahill and carried unanimously, the Commissioners adopted Proclamation 2011-26 proclaiming November as National Adoption Month. In an effort to increase awareness of National Adoption Month and to encourage other counties to participate, the Commissioners announced that they will be sending a photo from today's meeting of the McLean family to each county.

OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENT

On a motion by Mr. Scahill, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously, the Commissioners acknowledged the Financial Transactions for October 2011.

Ms. Kirkpatrick opened the meeting to comments.

Mr. Scahill praised Ms. Miller for her efficient opening of the bids. Mr. Scahill recognized two county coworkers who have survived recent cardiac episodes. He then gave a brief history of Veteran's Day in America and how some local businesses will honor veterans with free or

discounted services. Mr. Scahill closed his comments by stating he was pleased to announce that on Friday, he would be undergoing his last session chemotherapy.

Mr. Fink described the work that is involved in reaching this point in the bid process and recognized the employees who have dedicated so much time. He then spoke of his previous experience assisting dislocated workers and the college grants that are available. He described how the recent boom in the gas industry has opened job opportunities in gas exploration and development. He emphasized the important connection of these careers with the fact that Armstrong County has one of the largest deposits of Marcellus Shell Gas deposits.

Ms. Kirkpatrick commented on the redevelopment project for the Belmont Complex. She stated that during her two terms as a commissioner she has seen the effort everyone has put forth, especially noting the efforts put forth by Carmen Johnson, Rich Palilla and Gary Montebell. She added that the result of everyone's work is evident in the recently received 1.2 million dollar grant. She stated that she is excited to see the improvements at the Belmont, and proud to have such a critical avenue for recreation for the community. Ms. Kirkpatrick noted that she was also pleased with the 1.5 million dollar grant that will provide for the expansion at Armstrong County Memorial Hospital's Emergency Department. The Board of Commissioners and Mr. Palilla recognized Senator White and Representative Pyle's assistance in securing the grant money for the hospital.

ADJOURN

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Scahill, seconded by Mr. Fink and carried unanimously; the Commissioners adjourned the Public Meeting at 2:42 pm. The next Public Meeting will be held Thursday, November 17, 2011 at 1:30 pm.