

July 28, 2009

McKean County Commissioners in regular session assembled on Tuesday, July 28, 2009 at 10:00 AM in the Commissioners meeting room. Present were Commissioners Joseph DeMott, Al Pingie, and Judy Church, Chief Clerk, Audrey Irons, County Solicitor, Dan Hartle. Also present were Bonnie Howard, James Baldwin, Jean Hendrickson, Troy Glasgow, Kathy Roche, Linda Woodley, and Martha Knight.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. DeMott, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to approve the minutes of the July 16, 2009 meeting.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Mr. DeMott – Opened the meeting for public comment.

No public comment.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to approve payment of the following invoice:

1. A. L. Blades & Sons, Inc. - \$61,450.16 – representing payment for the Boyer Crossing Road Bridge Replacement Project for the period ending July 14, 2009 – McKean County Boyer Crossing Project Fund.
2. Area Transportation Authority - \$12,540.50 – representing a portion of their budget allotment for the period of July 1 through September 30, 2009.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to approve a county aid application for Bradford City in the amount of \$16,843.00 for the year 2009.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to accept an offer from Marsha McCracken in the amount of \$250.00 for purchasing a vacant lot of .22 acres of land on Harrisburg Run, Bradford, Pa. from the McKean County Repository for unsold property.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to accept the bid of Zook Motors, Inc. in the amount of \$21,496.35 for purchasing a 2010 Ford Explorer for the Adult Probation Office. The money for purchasing the vehicle will be taken from the Supervision Fees Fund.

It was noted that bids were also received from Kightlinger Motors in the amount of \$25,150.00 for a 2009 Ford Explorer and from Fairway Ford in the amount of \$25,485.00 for a 2009 Ford Explorer.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to enter into an agreement with the Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) for the Homeless Prevention and Rapid Re-housing Program (HPRP) and to authorize the YWCA to administer the program for the county. The HPRP program was authorized by the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (ARRA). The purpose of the HPRP program is to provide homelessness prevention assistance to households who would otherwise become homeless – many due to the economic crisis and to provide assistance to rapidly re-house persons who are homeless as defined by the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to enter into a one year agreement with King Communications for providing phone support and remote programming services for the County's phone system for \$200.00 a month. Any onsite programming or trouble shooting will be at a labor rate of \$75.00 per hour plus any parts.

Mr. DeMott – Pointed out that this was a renewal of an existing agreement.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to enter into a construction agreement with IA Construction Corporation for the Allen Street Bridge Project.

Mr. DeMott – Pointed out that IA Construction Corporation was the only bidder for the project.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to enter into a Letter of Agreement with Beacon Light Behavioral Health Systems for the Department of Human Services.

Mr. Pingie – Pointed out that the Letter of Agreement has been reviewed by Dan Wertz and Dan Hartle.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mrs. Church, seconded by Mr. Pingie, to enter into an agreement with Insight Technology, LLC for providing Technical Engineering and Support Services for the county.

Mr. DeMott – Pointed out that Insight Technology has been providing technical services for us and this is a renegotiation of that agreement to reflect their current level of service.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to enter into a Cooperative Agreement with Elk, Cameron, and Potter Counties for the Pennsylvania Accessible Housing Program.

Mr. DeMott – Pointed out that Elk County is the sponsoring agency for the agreement.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to endorse the Bradford Regional Airport Authority's application to North Central Pa. Regional Planning and Development Commission for Federal Assistance for removing obstructions to the primary surface of Runway 14-32 and to rehabilitate the taxiway lighting. The work will include clearing and grubbing the areas containing obstructions (brush & trees) and seeding and mulching the re-graded areas. The project also consists of the installation of manual cutouts of the taxiway edge light circuits replacing the defective selector switch unit in the vault which will provide the ability to isolate taxiway lighting circuits when trouble shooting the circuits. In addition, two existing runway in-pavement edge lights will be removed to improve the ability to plow the runway following winter snow storms.

Mr. DeMott – Pointed out that the federal applications by area governments and authorities are run through North Central for their recommendation before sending them on to the granting agency.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to accept the proposal of Biel's Information Technology Systems for the Imaging and Document Management Project for the Prothonotary's Office.

Mr. James Baldwin – Just a reminder that the original purpose of the project was to identify and implement a document imaging system for the Office of the Prothonotary and Clerk of the Courts based on recommendations from an audit that the consultants from the National Center of the State Courts performed. The goals were first disaster recovery, second accessibility by Offices of the Court, and third potential for archiving the records. This was the second RFP request for proposals. We had a total of six respondents – all six of them met the minimum requirements for the RFP and based on the county's preference to go with the lowest bid that meets all the minimum requirements my recommendation is for Biel's Information Technology Systems.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to appoint Marianne Scherer to the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Services Board for a three year term. Her term will start immediately and will expire on June 30, 2012.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Mr. DeMott – Opened the meeting for public comment.

Martha Knight – Who is responsible county for the Cooperative Agreement with Elk, Cameron, and Potter Counties?

Mr. DeMott – Elk County is the actual applicant and they will be responsible for the administration of the program.

Ms. Knight – Does that responsibility rotate?

Mr. DeMott – There isn't a fixed rotation that I am aware of. On different projects different counties tend to take the lead. For example, McKean County is the lead agency in a grant for the Kane and Knox Railroad which also includes Elk County, Forest County, Clarion County, etc. so when these things begin we find someone who is willing to take on that responsibility. There isn't any formal rotation involved, but different counties step forward and take the main responsibility for the program.

Ms. Knight – Where is the Allen Street Bridge?

Mr. DeMott – It is in East Smethport – it goes into the back of the fairgrounds. About 100 yards from this side of Myra's Restaurant there is a road that goes to the right.

Mrs. Church – It goes back into the fairgrounds and crossing the creek. It used to be the back road into Ohman's farm.

Ms. Knight – And there is a bridge there?

Mr. DeMott – The bridge is not very long or very wide. The county owns the access way on both sides of the bridge.

Mrs. Church – It was given to the county for access to the fairgrounds because it is the back way to the Fairgrounds and Ohmans gave it to the county for a right of way to the Fairgrounds.

Ms. Knight – Is it a public road?

Mrs. Church – There is a trailer court back there that uses it and the other field is used by the Fair for parking during fair week. We own the road, the fairgrounds, and the right of way to the bridge. We had a bad storm a couple of months ago that washed the rocks out and we had to have them replaced and while they were doing it they noticed how bad the approaches to the bridge were and that is what the project is for.

Ms. Knight – Will the county fund this project entirely?

Mr. DeMott – Yes.

Mrs. Church – It will probably come out of the county's liquid fuel monies.

Ms. Knight – I heard the term RFP requests, but I see they were bid. Would you say this is a formal bidding process or would you say it was an RFP process?

Mr. Baldwin – It was actually worded as an RFP and bid – it was a combination.

Ms. Knight – So officially do we use the term bid which usually implies bid specifications?

Mr. Baldwin – Yes.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to adjourn the meeting.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Chief Clerk

