



DAUPHIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

WORKSHOP MEETING

OCTOBER 21, 2009

10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeff Haste, Chairman
Dominic D. DiFrancesco, II, Vice Chairman
George P. Hartwick, III, Secretary

STAFF PRESENT

Chad Saylor, Chief Clerk; Janis Creason, Treasurer; J. Scott Burford, Deputy Chief Clerk; William Tully, Esq., Solicitor; Gary Serhan, Deputy Controller; Randy Baratucci, Director of Purchasing; Kay Lengle, Personnel; Diane McNaughton, Commissioners' Office; August Memmi, Director of Community & Economic Development; Terry Haines, Affordable Housing; Brooke Miller, Personnel; Mike Potteiger, Director of Adult Probation; Garry Esworthy, Risk Management; Amy Richards, Commissioners' Office; Leila Brown, Solicitor's Office; Fred Lighty, Esq., Human Services Director's Office; Brenda Hoffer, Commissioners' Office; and Richie-Ann Martz, Assistant Chief Clerk

GUESTS PRESENT

Emily Opilo

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Haste, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Everyone observed a moment of silence.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Mr. Haste: We have a number of meeting minutes that we'll take up at next week's meeting.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Haste: We're at the point in time in the meeting for public participation. Is there anyone in the audience that would like to address the Board at this time? (There were none.)

DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS/GUESTS

(There were none.)

PERSONNEL

Ms. Lengle: Do you have any questions on any of the items in the Personnel Packet? (There were none.)

PURCHASE ORDERS

Mr. Baratucci: The Purchase Order Packet was distributed yesterday. We have a number of budget items that we need to fix up. We are getting down to that time of year when people are using every last penny of their budget. We will have to make some adjustments. When that is done I believe we will be fine. Do you have any questions? (There were none.)

TRAINING PACKET

Mr. Haste: Is there anything on the Training Packet?

Mr. Saylor: No.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

- A. Escrow Agreement between Dauphin County, Gary Hendrickson, Ned Buck and Amy Brady for purchase of 5415 N. Front Street. **(***A VOTE IS REQUESTED 10/21/09***)**
- A. Resolution #24-2009 authorizing a temporary increase to the Affordable Housing Fund Checking Account from \$70,000 to \$100,000. **(***A VOTE IS REQUESTED 10/21/09***)**

Mr. Haste: We have two items on the Agenda for discussion and action. Item A deals with the purchase of the old gas station on Front Street by Fort Hunter. Item B is for the Affordable Housing. A good note on that is we have seen a tremendous increase over the last couple months. In fact, I had a phone call on this. Before I knew this was coming up, I had a conversation with Skip and Terry. It looks like we are over 30 applications.

Mr. Haines: We have 36 for October and about 26 for November already.

Mr. Haste: You normally do 15.

Mr. Haines: We normally do 12 to 15 a month.

Mr. Haste: That is a good sign to see where young families and folks are getting into homes.

Mr. Hartwick: Also the tax credit program runs out so everyone is trying to get in under the wire.

Mr. Haste: This is just to increase the amount. My understanding is that those funds come from a fee that is collected in the Recorder of Deeds Office. We will just up that amount so Terry can get these people into their homes.

It was moved by Mr. DiFrancesco and seconded by Mr. Hartwick that the Board approve Items A and B, listed above under Items for Discussion; motion carried.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – WILLIAM TULLY, ESQ.

Mr. Tully: I have nothing to add to it, but would be happy to answer any questions you might have.

Mr. Hartwick: Number 3, does anybody have any idea or details on that one?

Mr. Tully: I will have Guy touch base with you on that item.

CHIEF CLERK'S REPORT – CHAD SAYLOR

Mr. Saylor: I have nothing unless there are questions of me? (There were none.)

COMMISSIONERS' COMMENTS

(There were none.)

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Haste: We are again at the point in time in the meeting for public participation. Is there anyone in the audience that would like to address the Board at this time? (There were none.)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Hartwick and seconded by Mr. DiFrancesco that the Board adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Chad Saylor, Chief Clerk

Transcribed by: Richie-Ann Martz