

May 21, 2007

On the above date immediately following the regularly scheduled Luzerne County Board of Commissioners meeting the Salary Board convened their meeting with the following present: Gregory A. Skrepenak, Chairman; Todd A. Vonderheid and Stephen A. Urban, Commissioners; Samuel T. Guesto, County Manager for Legislation/Chief Clerk; James Blaum, County Solicitor; Joe DiVizia, Director, Human Services; Michael L. Morreale, Treasurer; Anthony Martinelli, Deputy Controller; James J. Brozena, County Engineer; Gregory Hunsinger, Director of Property and Supply,; Adrian F. Merolli, Director of Planning; Salvadore Diaz, Chief of Budget and Finance.

Commissioner Gregory Skrepenak called the meeting to order and asked everyone to join in saying the Pledge of Allegiance followed by a moment of Silent Prayer. It is noted that all meetings are electronically recorded.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Samuel T. Guesto, Jr.  
County Manager /Chief Clerk

No announcements.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Public Comment

**COMMUNICATIONS:**

Samuel T. Guesto, Jr.  
County Manager /Chief Clerk

**REQUEST A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING SALARY BOARD ACTIONS FOR:**

**HUMAN SERVICES:**

**CREATE:**

Human Services Assistance Specialist at an annual salary range of \$55,000 - \$65,000 effective May 21, 2007.

Administrative Assistant at an annual salary of \$33,716 effective June 1, 2007.

**ELIMINATE:**

Clerk Typist 2 at an annual salary of \$33,716, effective June 1, 2007.

Joe DiVizia provided comment on the creation/elimination of the preceding positions stating that they are State funded.

Commissioner Urban provided comment that he is concerned that this money will be taken out of programs and that we should focus on providing services.

Commissioner Urban noted his vote to accept this motion, with the exception of Human Services Assistance Specialist, which Commissioner Urban voted no.

All other proposed actions were approved unanimously by the following vote:

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak.  
**“AYES” SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID, URBAN, MARTINELLI (PETRILLA)**

**OFFICE OF COURT ADMINISTRATION:**

**CREATE:**

Six (6) Probation Officers at an annual salary of \$39,684.84 effective May 21, 2007.

Larry Saba provided comment on the facts and figures of the creation of these six (6) Probation Officers stating that the hiring of these officers will bring the number of clients each probation officer is currently supervising, down; making case loads more manageable.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak.

**“AYES” SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID, URBAN, MARTINELLI (PETRILLA) , SABA  
(PRESIDENT JUDGE CIAVARELLA)**

**TRANSPORTATION:**

**CREATE:**

Eight (8) Part Time Child Care Aides at a rate of \$7.50/hour effective July 1, 2007.  
Fiscal Officer at an annual salary range of \$35,000 - \$45,000 effective June 1, 2007.  
Thirty Six (36) Part Time Drivers at a rate of \$8.00 to \$9.00/hour effective June 29, 2007.  
The On-call rate at \$50/day effective June 29, 2007 and \$60/day effective July 1, 2008.  
Director at an annual salary range of \$50,000-\$60,000 effective June 1, 2007.  
Manager of Administration at an annual salary range of \$35,000-\$45,000 effective June 1, 2007.  
Manager of Client Services at an annual salary range of \$30,000 - \$40,000 effective June 1, 2007.  
Manager of External Operations at an annual salary range of \$30,000 - \$40,000 effective May 21, 2007.

**ELIMINATE:**

Eight (8) Part Time Child Care Aides at a rate of \$6.50/hour effective July 1, 2007.  
Thirty Six (36) Part Time Drivers at a rate of \$8.00/hour effective June 29, 2007.  
The On-call rate at \$30/day effective June 29, 2007.  
Director at a salary of \$49,356.57.  
Manager of Administration at an annual salary of \$38,672.38, effective May 21, 2007.  
Manager of Client Services at an annual salary of \$34,961.00, effective May 21, 2007.  
Manager of External Operations at an annual salary of \$34,916 effective May 21, 2007.

Doug Pape provided comment and explanation on the creation and elimination of these positions.  
Commissioner Urban questioned the salary ranges.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak.  
**“AYES” SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID, MARTINELLI(PETRILLA) , “NAYES” URBAN**

**MH-MR:**

**CREATE:**

All Caseworker position vacancies as Caseworker 1/ Caseworker 2/ Social Worker at a salary range of \$27,009 - \$29,097 effective May 21, 2007.

**ELIMINATE:**

Caseworker position vacancies as Caseworker 2, at an annual salary of \$29,097, effective May 21, 2007.

Doug Richards provided comment that these positions require a State Civil Service Testing and this change in salary range will enable us to start hires off at one level.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak.  
**“AYES” SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID, URBAN, MARTINELLI (PETRILLA)**

**CHILDREN & YOUTH:**

**CREATE:**

All Caseworker position vacancies as Caseworker 2/Social Worker at an annual salary of \$30,201, effective May 21, 2007.

**ELIMINATE:**

All Caseworker position vacancies as Caseworker 2, at an annual salary of \$30,201, effective May 21, 2007.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Urban.

**“AYES” SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID, URBAN, MARTINELLI (PETRILLA)**

**SECURITY:**

**CREATE:**

Two (2) Security Guards at a salary of \$18,300, effective May 21, 2007.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak.

**“AYES” SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID, MARTINELLI (PETRILLA), “NAY” URBAN**

**WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT:**

**CREATE:**

Three (3) Customer Support Specialists at a salary range of \$19,000 to \$20,800, effective May 21, 2007.

One (1) Youth Program Administrative Assistant at a salary in accordance to the collective bargaining agreement (approximately \$3,000) effective May 21, 2007.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak.

**“AYES” SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID, URBAN, MARTINELLI (PETRILLA)**

**ENVIRONMENTAL SPECIAL PROJECTS:**

**CREATE:**

One (1) Environmental Risk/Control Technician at an annual salary of \$24,000, effective May 21, 2007.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak.

**“AYES” SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID, MARTINELLI (PETRILLA), “NAY” URBAN**

**END OF SALARY BOARD**

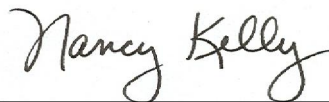
**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Request a motion to adjourn.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak.

**“AYES” SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID, URBAN, MARTINELLI (PETRILLA)**

Respectfully,



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Nancy Kelly, Recording Secretary