

On the above date at 10:00 A.M., the Luzerne County Board of Commissioners convened a special 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 Loftus-Vergari, Director, Human Services; Michael L. Morreale, Treasurer; Stephen L. Flood, Controller; 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.

Commissioner Skrepenak reviewed the protocol for Public Comment and directed Mr. Samuel Guesto, Chief Clerk, to ensure the five-minute time limit is adhered to.

Commissioner Skrepenak reminded everyone that if you wish to address the Commissioners to see Ms. Bozinski and sign in.

COMMUNICATIONS – SAMUEL T. GUESTO, JR., CHIEF CLERK

Request a Motion to adopt a resolution declaring a state of emergency for Luzerne County relating to the operation/management of the Juvenile Detention/Treatment Center at 701 Sathers Drive, Pittston Township, Luzerne County, Pennsylvania.

Commissioner Urban commented declaring the emergency was unnecessary and that the members of the Board acted on the PA Childcare lease too quickly therefore he would not support the motion.

Commissioner Vonderheid explained all contracts with service provider for the facility expire on December 31, 2004 therefore an emergency was declared to bypass normal advertising requirements for services. Adding all contract are for a period of 120 days with the exception of the custodial and maintenance contract, which is for 30 days.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak.
“AYES” SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID “NAYES” URBAN

Request a Motion to enter into a contract with Northwestern Human Services Company of Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, for management and operation of the Juvenile Detention and Treatment Center situated at 701 Sathers Drive, Pittston Township, Pennsylvania for a period of 120 days commencing January 1, 2005.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak.
“AYES” SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID “NAYES” URBAN

Request a Motion to enter into an Agreement with PrimeCare Medical, Inc. for the provision of medical managed and health services at the Juvenile Center situated at 701 Sathers Drive, Pittston Township, Pennsylvania for the period from January 1, 2005 to April 30, 2005.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak.
“AYES” SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID “NAYES” URBAN

Request a Motion to enter into an Assignment, Assumption and Consent Agreement with BTB Cleaning Service, and Pennsylvania Child Care, L.L.C. for the performance of cleaning services at the Juvenile Center situated at 701 Sathers Drive, Pittston Township, Pennsylvania and to accept Assignment and to assume the existing contract entered into by BTB Cleaning Service and Pennsylvania Child Care dated January 14, 2004. Said Agreement to expire on January 31, 2005.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak.
“AYES” SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID “NAYES” URBAN

Request a Motion to execute an agreement with Linton's Managed Services, Inc. to perform food services at the Juvenile Center at 701 Sathers Drive, Pittston Township, Pennsylvania for a period from January 1, 2005 to April 30, 2005.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak.
"AYES" SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID "NAYES" URBAN

Request a Motion to approve the following insurance quotations for policy periods: January 1, 2005 to December 31, 2005 as provided by Joseph J. Joyce Associates Insurance Company.

A.) HOUSING DEVELOPING AND REINSURANCE EXCHANGE

1. Property Insurance	\$ 177,618.00
2. Inland Marine	\$ 33,553.00
3. General Liability	\$ 196,251.00
4. Automobile	\$ 149,135.00
5. Crime	\$ 1,500.00
6. Fidelity	\$ 416.00

B.) SCOTTSDALE INSURANCE COMPANY

Public Officials Liability (not low quote)	\$ 122,095.00
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C.) EMPLOYERS REINSURANCE CORPORATION

Excess Workers Compensation (\$600,000 deductible)	\$ 103,763.00
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Commissioner Urban commented that putting the policies out to bid saved the County approximately \$5,000 from the 2004 bids.

It was moved by Commissioner Urban, seconded by Commissioner Vonderheid.
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A Motion was entertained to adjourn the Commissioners' Meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Urban, seconded by Commissioner Vonderheid.
"AYES" SKREPENAK, VONDERHEID, URBAN

Respectfully,



Patricia Wilk, Recording Secretary