

May 19, 2004

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; Joseph Loftus-Vergari, Director of Human Services; James Miller, Administrator of Valley Crest; Michael L. Morreale, Treasurer; Stephen L. Flood, Controller; James J. Brozena, County Engineer; John J. Glushefski, Director of Road & Bridge; William P. Burke, Director of Property and Supply; Adrian F. Merolli, Director of Planning; Sandra Russell, Director of Community Development; Salvadore Diaz, Chief of Budget and Finance.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No Public Comment.

**REQUEST A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING SALARY BOARD ACTIONS FOR VALLEY CREST NURSING HOME:**

**A MOTION TO CREATE:**

Two (2) ELECTRICIANS (LEVEE) at **ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT @** at an annual salary of \$42,000.00 each effective May 5, 2004.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak  
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Stephen Flood recommended Jim Brozena, County Engineer, hire the individual with the high credentials and Masters degree discussed at the May 5, 2004 meeting at a salary of \$42,000 and wait on other position. Mr. Flood recommended a motion be made to One (1) ELECTRICIAN (LEVEE) at **ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT @** at an annual salary of \$42,000.00.

It was moved by Mr. Flood, seconded by Commissioner Urban  
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Mr. Brozena, as during the previous meeting held on May, 2004, stressed the urgency of this situation, emphasizing the importance and responsibility of these positions, noting the safety issues involved with working with up to 150,000 volts and not wanting to risk the safety of his employees with someone less knowledgeable. He requested the Board's approval for the position to be contracted until such time as this matter could be resolved.

Request a Motion to contract out for two (2) ELECTRICIANS (LEVEE) at **ROAD AND BRIDGE DEPARTMENT** until such time as the Salary Board approves the above referenced positions.

It was moved by Commissioner Urban, seconded by Commissioner Skrepenak  
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Commissioner Skrepenak requested the Board to revisit this issue.

A Motion was entertained to adjourn the Salary Board Meeting.

It was moved by Commissioner Vonderheid, seconded by Mr. Flood.  
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Respectfully,



Patricia Wilk, Recording Secretary