

## **MINUTES-AUTHORITIES, BOARDS, AND COMMISSIONS SUBCOMMITTEE**

**May 9, 2011**

- In attendance were Susan Shoal, Rob Seeley, Thomas Cooney, CJ Kersey, and Theresa Tyler-Smith
- We began by reviewing the Administrative Code draft for Authorities, Boards, and Commissions. A few changes were suggested. One, the new ABC's are going to be added to the list of County ABC's on page two. Second, the Board of Elections and Registration needs information on how the fifth member of the board is going to be chosen. Third, we need to confirm what the official names are for each ABC.
- Discussion ensued about how best to solicit applicants for ABC. We are going to make some changes to a form used by Lehigh County for recruiting purposes. The need to recruit for newly formed ABC's was also discussed and we will focus particular attention on this task.
- We discussed how best to communicate with current members of ABC's about the status of their ABC. Our consultant, Mr. Mohr, is going to include a section about this in a question and answer document he is working on.
- Concerns were raised that the new charter is too restrictive in terms of who is able to serve on ABC's. For example, it forbids anyone who works for a business serving as a contractor to the County from serving on an ABC. CJ Kersey agreed to contact Attorney Malak to see whether there was a less strict way to interpret this statute.
- For our next meeting, to be held May 23, 2011 at 7:30, we will discuss whether there should be a term limit on how long members may serve on ABC's and whether we should recruit separately for existing ABC's and newly created ABC's.