MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

January 25, 2007

Members Present: Brian Beader, Kenneth A. Seamans, Olivia M. Lazor

Pledge of Allegiance:

Others Present: William Boyle, Tom Amundsen, Robin Como, Mary Ann Daniels, Liz Fair, William Madden, Mark Miller, Ginny Richardson, Carlene Garthwaite, Megan Painter, Karen Anderson, Christie Dennis, Gail Moon, Dave Segasture, Tom Inman, Norma Anderton, Frank Stratiff of the Record Argus, Jeff Greenburg and Matt Snyder of the Herald, and other concerned citizens.

Public Comment on Agenda Items:

Motion to approve January 2, 2007 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor Motion carried.

Motion to approve January 16, 2007 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

Moved: Mr. Seamans Seconded: Ms. Lazor Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader Motion carried.

Motion to approve January 11, 2007 Commissioners' Meeting minutes.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans Motion carried.

Motion to approve a proclamation to Brian Black, Troop 7, for achieving Eagle Scout, the highest award in Boy Scouting.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor Motion carried.

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Motion to revise Agreement 010M59-A (Bridge 2811, Riggs Road, Shenango Twp.), increasing the costs in Exhibit "AA" from \$61,600 to \$401,600.00. (This is to include construction funding which is funded 100% state funds.)

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader Motion carried.

Motion to approve the following MR Waiver service <u>contract amendments</u> for 2006-2007 as recommended by the Mercer County MH/MR Administrator and by the Mercer County Behavioral Health Commission, Inc., Board of Directors.

| Funding Source | Provider | 06/07 Contract Funding | Amendment Funding Increase/ (Decrease) | 06/07 Contract Maximum |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| MR Waiver | Fayette Resources, Inc. Uniontown | \$88,657 | (\$5,369) | \$83,288 |
| MR Waiver | MCAR, Inc. Hermitage | \$4,803,933 | \$0 | \$4,803,933 |

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans Motion carried.

Motion to enter into an agreement with Tedd Nesbit, Esquire, an attorney at 234 West Pine Street, Grove City, PA 16127 to provide court-appointed professional legal services and representation in the role of Guardian Ad Litem to juveniles in dependency actions brought by Mercer County Children & Youth Services in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00 annually and also to provide professional legal services to Mercer County Children and Youth Services regarding specific cases where a conflict of interest exists at a rate of \$45.00 per hour. Effective January 1, 2007 through December 31, 2007.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor Motion carried. Motion to hire the law firm of Bogaty and Smith, P.C., Attorneys-At-Law, Grove City, PA, to act as Family Law Masters beginning Friday, January 26, 2007 at an hourly rate of \$75.00. (Replaces John Regule, Esq., who is retiring 1/25/07)

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader Motion carried.

Motion to hire the law firm of Margaret T. Lucas, Attorney-At-Law, P.C., Mercer PA, to act as Family Law Master in cases where there is a conflict for the firm of Bogaty & Smith. Effective date is January 26, 2007 and the hourly rate is \$75.00.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans Motion carried.

Motion to change the hours of work for December 24, 2007 to close all County offices at noon. All employees will be expected to take abbreviated lunch hours for one-half an hour during the week of 12-17-07 through 12-21-07 to make up the time off being granted by this change.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor Motion carried.

Motion to declare the value of the 1993 Oshkosh Bus, serial number 4CDK56M29P2106646 to be less than \$1,000.00.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader Motion carried.

Motion to accept Lake Township as a member of the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission, effective immediately.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans Motion carried.

Motion to approve a maintenance agreement for all typewriters, in the amount of \$2,618.00 (12 payments of \$218.17), with Office Equipment Technical Service, Deer Creek Rd., Cochranton, PA. Term is 1/1/07-12/31/07.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor Motion carried.

Motion to approve the following financial investments as listed:

| From | <u>To</u> | | | Amount | |
|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|------------|--|
| Tax Lien Nat'l City Bank/Sweep Chkg | Tax Lien Northwest Savings I | Tax Lien Northwest Savings Bank/MA | | 148,395.00 | |
| Liquid Fuel National City Bank/CWI | Liquid Fuel Northwest Savings I | Bank/MA | | 7,243.90 | |
| Capital Reserves Nat'l City Bank/Sweep Chkg | Capital Reserves Citizens Bank/CWI | | | 3,820.30 | |
| 2001 Capital Bond Sinking National City Bank/MM | 2001 Capital Bond S Citizens Bank/CWI | Sinking | | 2,029.15 | |
| Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader Motion carried. | | | | | |
| Motion to approve the Personnel action(s) as follows: | | | | | |
| NAME POS | SITION | EFFECTIVE | | GRADE/STEP | |
| CORRECTIONS: | | | | | |
| PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE: | | | | | |
| Annette St. John O'BrienAdmin. Assistant1/1/0(Previously listed as Clerical and as a TC&S 4-Step 3) | | | | P&A 3-4 | |
| MERCER COUNTY JAIL: | | | | | |
| Bethany BrantFiscal Assistant1/8/07(Recommendation of the Prison Board 1/22/07) | | | | P&A 4- 3 | |

TAKEN OFF AS EMPLOYEES DUE TO LACK OF AVAILABILITY TO WORK:

MERCER COUNTY JAIL:

| Scott R. Quillen | Part Time Correctional Officer | 1/21/07 |
|--------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------|
| (Last day worked w | as 6/26/05 and has not been availal | ble since.) |

Mathew C. SharpPart Time Correctional Officer1/21/07(Last day worked was 9/22/05 and has not been available since.)(Recommendation of the Prison Board Meeting 1/22/07)

NEW HIRES:

JUDGE REED'S CHAMBERS:

| Russell J. Adkins | Law Clerk | 1/16/07 | Entry |
|-------------------|------------------------------|----------|-------|
| | (Replaces John Alfredo who r | esigned) | |

REGISTRATION & ELECTIONS:

| Jeffrey Greenburg | eenburg Director and | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| | County Public Inform | nation Officer |

Thomas Rookey P/T Advisor- not to exceed 1000 hrs. 1/17/07 – 12/31/07

DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE:

| Ernest Marenchin | Investigator | 1/22/07 | Entry \$16.45 hourly |
|------------------|-----------------------|---------|----------------------|
| Gerald T. Smith | Deputy Coroner | 1/1/07 | |

RESIGNATIONS:

MERCER COUNTY CORONER'S OFFICE:

Alan J. RobinowitzDeputy Coroner12/31/06

TRAINING EMPLOYMENT TERMINATED:

ENHANCED 9-1-1 CENTER:

Victoria Roxberry P/T Telecommunicator Trainee 1/22/07

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans Motion carried. Motion to ratify the attached previously approved expenditures dated 1/9/07-1/22/07.

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor Motion carried.

Motion to approve the following exoneration(s) being granted as listed:

| | | | County | County Per | |
|----------------------|------------------------|-----|-------------------|-------------------|-------------|
| Tax Collector | <u>District</u> | | <u>Per Capita</u> | <u>Capita TBC</u> | <u>Year</u> |
| Debra K. Schnur | Clark Boro | \$ | 50.00 | | 2006 |
| Bernadette Harry | Hermitage City | Ŧ | 570.00 | | 2006 |
| Nancy Reithmiller | Lackawannock Twp | | 80.00 | | 2006 |
| Faith Shaw | Liberty Twp. | | 110.00 | | 2006 |
| Carrie Jo Steese | Pine Twp. | | 15.00 | | 2006 |
| Harry Zahniser | Pymatuning Twp. | | 235.00 | | 2006 |
| Joni F. Maybee | Salem Twp. | | 20.00 | | 2006 |
| Debra K. Schnur | Clark Boro | | 35.00 | | 2006 |
| Mary E. Pederson | Deer Creek Twp. | | 10.00 | | 2006 |
| Matthew D. Fischer | Grove City Boro | | 1685.00 | | 2006 |
| Diane M. Thut | Sharon City | | 2960.00 | | 2006 |
| A. J. Kovach | Sharpsville Boro. | | 315.00 | | 2006 |
| Kathleen Multari | Farrell City | | 60.00 | | 2006 |
| Lea Anne DuMars | South Pym. Twp. | | 45.00 | | 2006 |
| Esther Viglio | Wheatland Boro | | 90.00 | | 2006 |
| Roberta Rhodes | Sheakleyville Boro | | | \$ 45.00 | 2006 |
| Joni F. Maybee | Salem Twp. | | | 210.00 | 2006 |
| Carolyn S. Chess | Sandy Creek Twp. | | | 315.00 | 2006 |
| Loretta L. Hancox | Otter Creek Twp. | | | 145.00 | 2006 |
| JoAnn Donner Goodlin | Jamestown Boro | | | 350.00 | 2006 |
| Sandra Swogger | French Creek Twp. | | | 265.00 | 2006 |
| Carolyn Kidwell | Greene Twp. | | | 540.00 | 2006 |
| Esther Viglio | Wheatland Boro | | | 235.00 | 2006 |
| Debra Rodemoyer | Delaware Twp. | | | 710.00 | 2006 |
| Mary E. Pederson | Deer Creek Twp. | | | 230.00 | 2006 |
| Matthew D. Fischer | Grove City Boro | | | 1955.00 | 2006 |
| E. Ronald Thompson | Fredonia Boro | | | 340.00 | 2006 |
| Kathleen Multari | Farrell City | | | 2450.00 | 2006 |
| Lea Ann DuMars | South Pym. Twp. | | | 510.00 | 2006 |
| A. J. Kovach | Sharpsville Boro | | | 1080.00 | 2006 |
| Ruth Magee | Springfield Twp. | | | 925.00 | 2006 |
| Karen Bombatch | Wolf Creek Twp. | | | 365.00 | 2006 |
| Diane M. Thut | Sharon City | | | 12005.00 | 2006 |
| Patricia Sweesy | Shenango Twp. | | | 1435.00 | 2006 |
| Debra K. Schnur | Clark Boro | | | 240.00 | 2006 |
| | TOTAI | []: | <u>6280.00</u> | 24350.00 | |

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Mr. Seamans, Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader Motion carried.

Motion to approve the following refund(s) as listed:

| Name | <u>District</u> | <u>Amount</u> | <u>Year</u> |
|----------------------------------------------|------------------|---------------|-------------|
| Hoover, David M. & Brenda L. (Overpaid) | Shenango Twp. | \$ 169.41 | 2002-2006 |
| Black, Merle & Donna L. (Appeal decision) | Springfield Twp. | 239.66 | 2006 |
| (Appear decision) | TOTAL: | <u>409.07</u> | |

Moved: Ms. Lazor Seconded: Mr. Seamans Voted yes: Ms. Lazor, Mr. Beader, Mr. Seamans Motion carried.

Old Business:

New Business:

Recess to Salary Board.

Public Comment: The Board responded to questions by Karen Anderson, Delaware Twp.

Questions of the Media: The Board answered questions posed by the press.

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Ms. Lazor

Seconded: Mr. Seamans

Mercer County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Chief Clerk