## MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

February 25, 2010

Members Present: Brian Beader, Kenneth R. Ammann, John N. Lechner

Pledge of Allegiance:

Others Present: Michael DeForest, Jeff Greenburg, Jennifer Hamilton, Tim Hofius, Michelle Kardasz, John Logan, Bill Madden, Rhonda McClelland, Ginny Richardson, Russ Saylor, Mark Williams Media Phil Rau, Matt Snyder, Chris Conti Regional Planning, Literacy Council Members and other concerned citizens.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items: None** 

Motion to approve February 3, 2010 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to approve February 10, 2010 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to approve February 17, 2010 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.

Seconded: Mr. Lechner Moved: Mr. Ammann

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to approve February 11, 2010 Commissioners' Meeting minutes.

**Moved: Mr. Ammann** Seconded: Mr. Lechner

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to approve a proclamation to proclaim March as Mercer County's Literacy Awareness Month.

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to approve a proclamation to recognize Richard McMahon as the Irishman of the Year

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner

Motion to renew the annual service agreement with Simplex Grinnell, Cranberry Township, Pa. for the inspection of the Jail's fire alarm system from May 1, 2010 to April 30, 2011 with a cost of \$4,313.00. This is the same cost as last year's agreement.

Moved: Mr. Lechner Seconded: Mr. Ammann

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to enter into purchase of service agreements on behalf of Mercer County Children and Youth Services and Mercer County Juvenile Probation with the following providers for the following services at the following rates:

Children's Aid Society of Mercer Co.	Foster/Adopt Traditional Foster Care	\$70.00 \$55.00
Community Alternatives, Inc.	Homemaker Services Supervised Visitation Foster Care	\$25.00/hour \$35.00/hour \$64.46
Cornell Abraxas Group, Inc.	Abraxas I Abraxas II Abraxas III Abraxas Center-Females Leadership Development Abraxas Open Residential Abraxas Youth- Secure SOF Abraxas Youth - Shelter Abraxas Youth - Detention Abraxas Academy-Sex Offer Abraxas Academy-Violent Offender	\$219.30 \$219.30
Family Care for Children & Youth, Inc.	Foster Care-Family based 3- Foster Care-Family based 0- Foster Care-Family based M Foster Care-Infant w/mother Foster Care- Mother non-dep Kinship foster care Family based w/2 sup visits Family based w/2 sup visits Family based w/2 sup visits Mother Family based w/2 sup visits Mother Family based w/2 sup visits Non-dependent child	3 \$56.42 other \$64.48 \$31.66 o child \$81.41 \$59.03 3-18 \$65.12 0-3 \$56.98 mother \$65.12 infant with \$31.97 mother with
Harborcreek Youth Services	Residential Treatment (RTF) Liberty St. House-ITU Multidimensional Treatment Foster Care (MTFC)	\$252.52

Hermitage House Youth Services, Inc.	Shelter Care SIL – Males SIL-Phase 1-Males SIL-Phase 2-Males SIL-Phase 2-Males SIL-Phase 1-Females SIL-Phase 1-Females SIL-Phase 2-Females Group Home/Shelter Group Home/Shelter Group Home/Shelter Group Home/Shelter Group Home/Shelter High Impact Program Diagnostic Screening \$51.4 Sexual Assessment \$54.4 ADAPT-sex offender \$19.4 ADAPT-Aftercare-grp ADAPT-Aftercare-ind ADAPT-Aftercare-fam Transportation \$16.77/hr/staf	3 + Res. Rate 4 + Res. Rate \$25.00/hour \$50.00/hour \$45.00/hour
Keystone Adolescent Center	Day Treatment KIIP-Intensive Intervention In-Home Counseling Community Support-Dep Community Support-Del Adolescent Centers-Boys Residential Center-Girls Independent Living Transitional Living Foster Care Independent Living Grant \$107,5	\$12.00/hour \$20.00/hour \$24.00/hour \$88,648/year \$128,524/year \$149.00 \$159.00 \$130.00 \$140.00 \$75.00
Laura Walker Project, Inc.	Expectant Mothers Baby Addition	\$188.22 \$40.30
NHS Youth Services	Sex Offenders Intensive Secure Intermediate Secure Intermediate Open RENEW VCORE CAS Program Building Bridges	\$275.00 \$246.00 \$235.00 \$225.54 \$229.45 \$147.00 \$147.00 \$245.00

Northwestern Human Services of PA	Canal Ways Center \$94.00	
	Therapeutic Foster Care	\$28.72
	Therapeutic FC-full fee	\$152.47
	Multidimensional Therapeut	ic
	Foster Care	\$152.47
	Foster Care Plus	\$84.10
	Respite	\$90.00
	Emergency Respite	\$135.00
	Foster Care Infant	\$40.00
	CRR Residential-Lehigh	\$59.50
	Lehigh Valley Center	\$46.65
Pathways Adolescent Center	Boys Residential	\$130.00
•	Transitional Living- Boys	\$125.00
	New Beginnings for Girls	\$135.00
Perseus House, Inc.	Andromeda House-ITU	\$220.52
	Florence Crittenton-Baby	\$38.00
	Florence Crittenton-Mother	\$234.35
	Florence Crittenton-Mo & ba	aby \$272.35
	Perseus House – Shelter	\$187.06
	Perseus House-	
	Male sex offender-R'	ΓF \$254.39
	Brighter Horizons BH-RTF	MA billable
	Enhanced RTF	MA billable
	Perseus House-Male RTF	MA billable
	Andromeda House-RTF	MA billable
Phoenix Youth Services, Inc.	Group Home	\$175.88
The Thomas Organization, LLC	Foster Care	\$68.00
<i>C</i> ,	Foster Care-no case mngmt	\$48.00
	Foster Care-Pregnant female	

Effective July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

Moved: Mr. Lechner Seconded: Mr. Ammann

Motion to accept a grant of \$17,475 from the Office of Child Development and Early Learning of the PA Departments of Education and Public Welfare, Harrisburg, PA, for the period January 1 – September 30, 2010, for Kindergarten Transition Planning for Early Childhood Community Engagement. This is a competitive, supplemental grant to the Early Childhood Community Engagement Initiative. No County match is required. Frasier Zahniser of the Cooperative Extension Office is the project director.

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to approve sub-grant agreements for 2010 Early Childhood Community Engagement Transition Activities with the following school districts as their plans are approved: \$1000 each for Commodore Perry, Farrell, Greenville, Hermitage, Jamestown, Sharpsville and \$3000 for Sharon which has 3 elementary schools. The entire amount is paid from the previously approved grant of the same name. Under the sub-grants, each participating school district will develop a community transition plan with parents, teachers, and the community to assist students in smoother transitions from pre-school to kindergarten.

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to enter into an agreement for surveying and design services with Wallace and Pancher, Inc. of Hermitage, Pa. Work to be performed at Munnel Run Farm for the access road relocation project not to exceed \$8,830.00. The cost of the contract is reimbursable from the DCNR grant which is in place and will expire 12-31-10.

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

 $Motion \ to \ reappoint \ the \ following \ MH/MR \ Advisory \ Board \ Members \ for \ the \ identified \ three \ year$ 

terms: Steven Navarra: April 1, 2009 through March 31, 2012 Lizette Olsen: May 1, 2009 through April 30, 2012

Davina Sowers: July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2012

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner

Motion to accept the recommendations of the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission to fully fund the projects in the order of their ranking. Based upon last year's allocations only \$263,821 was available for projects, and we anticipate similar funding this year. These allocations are based upon the projected receipt of funding the exact amount of which has not yet been confirmed. Should the amount actually awarded differ from this projected amount, the individual allocations will be adjusted proportionately.

Ranking	Municipality/Agency	Project	Amt.
			Requested
1.	Mercer Borough	Street Improvements – ADA Curb Ramp	\$84,000
2.	Hempfield Township	Clearance and Demolition  – Two Houses	\$13,208
3.	Wolf Creek Township	Road Reconstruction - Hemlock Road	\$39,600
4.	Wheatland Borough	Clearance and Demolition – Five Houses	\$25,000
5. (tie)	Literacy Council of Mercer County	Public Service –  "Relocating the Dislocated Worker"	\$29,831
5. (tie)	Jackson Township/Jackson Center Borough	Housing Rehabilitation	\$60,000
7.	Medical Equipment Recycling	Public Service - Equipment Purchase	\$5,000
8.	Children's Aid Society	Public Service – "Childhood Trauma Initiative"	\$5,000

Moved: Mr. Lechner Seconded: Mr. Ammann

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to purchase Priority Dispatch Software, in the amount of\$ 76,469.50, from Priority Dispatch Corporation, 139 E. South Temple, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Salt Lake City, UT 84111. This is funded from the Wireless 911 Surcharge Fund Interest was has approved by PEMA on 9-21-09.

Moved: Mr. Lechner Seconded: Mr. Ammann

Motion to approve the following personnel actions:

NAME POSITION EFFECTIVE LEVEL/STEP/GRADE

**SEPARATION OF EMPLOYMENT:** 

**CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES:** 

Jaymene Svirbly Caseworker 3/3/2010

**CORRECTIONS:** 

**CONTROLLER'S OFFICE:** 

Mary Ann Star Sr. Procedure Clerk 2/15/2010 TCC 06-02-01

(Was incorrectly listed)

**TRANSFERS:** 

JUDGE DOBSON'S COURTROOM:

Alisha Glasgow Court Stenographer 3/01/2010 No pay change

Transfer from Judge St. John's Courtroom

JUDGE FORNELLI'S COURTROOM:

Melissa Keating Lead Court Reporter 3/01/2010 No pay change

Replacing Selah Mimna as Lead Court Reporter

JUDGE ST. JOHN'S COURTROOM:

Diane Brown Court Stenographer 3/01/2010 No pay change

Transfer from Judge Dobson's Courtroom

**NEW HIRES:** 

MH/MR:

Michelle L. Anthony FT Mental Retardation Program Specialist 3/8/2010 P&A 06-00-01

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to ratify the attached previously approved expenditures dated 2-09-10 to 2-22-10.

Moved: Mr. Ammann Seconded: Mr. Lechner

## Motion to Approve the following Exoneration(s) being granted as listed:

		County	County Per	
				<u>Tax</u>
Tax Collector	Taxing District	Per Capita Tax	Capita Tax - TBC	<u>Year</u>
Debra K Schnur	Clark Borough	\$10.00		2009
Frank H Vanderslice	Greenville Borough	\$5.00		2009
Matthew Fischer	Grove City Borough	\$1,985.00		2009
Susan Tomson	Jackson Twp	\$10.00		2009
JoAnn Donner Goodlin	Jamestown Boro	\$5.00		2009
A J Kovach	Sharpsville Boro	\$1,635.00		2009
Debera Tomon	West Salem Twp	\$275.00		2009
Debera Tomon	West Salem Twp	\$145.00		2009
Esther Viglio	Wheatland Boro	<u>\$50.00</u>		2009
William H Blatt	Hempfield Twp		\$770.00	2009
Bernadette Harry	Hermitage City		\$6,100.00	2009
JoAnn Donner Goodlin	Jamestown Boro		\$435.00	2009
		TOTAL:	\$11,425,00	

Moved: Mr. Lechner Seconded: Mr. Ammann

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

**Old Business: None** 

**New Business: None** 

request. Mr. Deforest reminded all that March filed. The Mayor of Wheatland thanked the B	h 1 is the deadline for Homestead Applications to be oard for their support of the CDBG project.
Questions of the Media: Were answered	
Motion to adjourn.	
Moved: Mr. Lechner	Seconded: Mr. Ammann
	Mercer County Board of Commissioners
Attest:	
Chief Clerk	

Public Comment: Dr. Rettinger of Literacy Council thanked the Board for support of their CDBG