



THE COUNTY OF CHESTER



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COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

January 8, 2009

I. CALL TO ORDER

The public meeting of the Chester County Board of Commissioners was called to order at 11:00 a.m., Thursday, January 8, 2009, in the Commissioners' Board Room by Terence Farrell, Chairman of the Commissioners. Commissioner Carol Aichele and Commissioner Kathi Cozzone were also present.

CALL TO ORDER

II. PLEDGE OF ALLIGIANCE

Chairperson Ferrell asked Duncan Allison, Chair of the Agricultural Development Committee, to lead the Pledge

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Agricultural Development Awards were presented to Donald "Buster" Needham and Joseph and Ben Cordivano.
2. Irish Dance Day Proclamation. The Board of Commissioners proclaimed January 11, 2009 as Irish Dance Day and were treated to performances of Irish dancing.
3. Executive Session
The Board of Commissioners met in Executive Session on Tuesday, January 6, 2009 to discuss personnel issues

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IV. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

Commissioner Aichele made a Motion to accept the minutes of the December 18, 2008 Meeting. Following a second of the Motion by Commissioner Cozzone, the Board voted unanimously to pass the Motion.

MINUTES

V. PUBLIC COMMENT ON THE AGENDA

None.

PUBLIC COMMENT

VI. OLD BUSINESS

There were no items of Old Business

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VII. NEW BUSINESS

1. Contracts
A Motion was made by Commissioner Cozzone and seconded by Commissioner Aichele to approve the Contracts Agenda which was sunshined on January 6, 2009. The Motion was approved unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS Contracts

VIII. PERSONNEL MATTERS

1. Human Resources Agenda
Commissioner Aichele made a Motion to approve the Agenda as presented. Commissioner Cozzone seconded the Motion and the Commissioners voted unanimously to approve the Agenda. Commissioner Cozzone noted that all personnel listed are associated with Departments requiring 24/7 coverage or are in the Courts departments.

HUMAN RESOURCES

IX. FINANCIAL MATTERS

1. Finance Agenda

**FINANCIAL
AGENDA**

Vouchers: Commissioner Cozzone made a Motion to approve the Vouchers section of The Finance Agenda. Following a second of the Motion by Commissioner Aichele, the Board voted to unanimously to approve the Vouchers.

Bond Sale: Dr. Denny Bolton reported on the completion of the bonds that were sold on January 6, 2009 in a restructuring of the debt of the county. He noted that the Aaa bond rating from Moody's Investor Services was an important component in securing the sale. Glen Williard represented PFM financial advisors and Tim O'Neil from Lamb McErlane reported that this bond sale was the first issue in the 2009 market and received excellent interest rates.

X. PUBLIC COMMENT

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COMMENTS**

- Don Hannum of the Farm Bureau commended the commissioner for retaining the commitment to Open Space in the Budget.
- Richard Thompson, a West Chester Borough resident, spoke regarding an article about the SEC and the state of the economy.
- Commissioner Farrell noted that District Attorney Joe Carroll, Recorder of Deeds Ryan Costello, Controller Val DiGiorgio, and Clerk of the Courts Teena Peters and were present.

XI. ADJOURNMENT

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The Meeting was adjourned at 11:40 a.m. following a Motion made by Commissioner Farrell and seconded by Commissioner Cozzone. The Motion passed unanimously.

W. Evelyn Walker -- Chief Clerk