

**STAFF MEETING MINUTES
LANCASTER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COUNTY-CITY BUILDING
ROOM 113
FRIDAY, JULY 18, 2003
12:30 P.M.**

Commissioners Present: Bernie Heier, Chair
Ray Stevens, Vice Chair
Bob Workman
Deb Schorr

Commissioners Absent: Larry Hudkins

Others Present: Kerry Eagan, Chief Administrative Officer
Gwen Thorpe, Deputy Chief Administrative Officer
Ann Taylor, County Clerk's Office

The Chair opened the meeting at 11:42 a.m.

AGENDA ITEM

1 APPROVAL OF STAFF MEETING MINUTES OF THURSDAY, JULY 17, 2003

Item held.

2 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA

None were stated.

3 FINAL BUDGET DISCUSSION - Dave Kroeker, Budget and Fiscal Officer

Dave Kroeker, Budget and Fiscal Officer, presented two versions of a letter to county elected officials and department heads regarding the proposed budget (Exhibits A & B).

MOTION: Workman moved and Schorr seconded to send the second version of the letter to county elected officials and department heads, with the following correction: Change exiting to existing in the fourth sentence of the third paragraph.

AMENDMENT: Stevens moved and Schorr seconded to amend the motion to include the following revision of the sixth paragraph: If we don't hear from you, a member of the Board or Dave Kroeker will be contacting you. We would greatly appreciate your cooperation in helping to hold down the tax rate and identifying which cuts will work for you.

ROLL CALL ON THE AMENDMENT: Stevens, Schorr and Heier voted aye. Workman voted no. Motion carried.

AMENDMENT: Schorr moved and Stevens seconded to amend the motion to include the following revision of the first sentence of the second paragraph: Members of the Board want to see a reduction in the tax rate for next year.

ROLL CALL ON THE AMENDMENT: Stevens, Schorr, Heier and Workman voted aye. Motion carried.

ROLL CALL ON THE ORIGINAL MOTION: Workman, Heier, Schorr and Stevens voted aye. Motion carried.

4 ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Workman moved and Schorr seconded to adjourn the meeting at 12:08 p.m. Workman, Heier, Schorr and Stevens voted aye. Motion carried.

Bruce Medcalf
Lancaster County Clerk