

BUCKS COUNTY CONSORTIUM

Thursday, June 12, 2020

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order:

A meeting of the Bucks County Consortium was held at 10:30 a.m. at via zoom, on June 12, 2020, and called to order by Consortium President Angela Benner.

2. Roll Call, Introductions and Community Updates:

The following Bucks County communities were represented at the meeting:

John Chaykowski, Bensalem Township
Ranee Elton, Bensalem Township
Dana Cozza, Buckingham Township
Jill Pistory, Buckingham Township
Darrell Card, Chalfont Borough
Shawn Curran, Chalfont Borough
Colette Hering, BCWSA
Caroline Brinker, Doylestown Borough
John Davis, Doylestown Borough
Ken Wallace, Doylestown Township
Stephanie Mason, Doylestown Township
Betsy Reukauf, Falls Township
Rose Molle, Falls Township
Chris Bauer, Haycock Township
Alicia Gasparovic, Langhorne Manor Borough
Mega Bhandary, Middletown Township
Nick Valla, Middletown Township
Stephanie Teoli Kuhls, Middletown Township
Judy Musto, Newtown Borough
Dawn Tremmel, New Britain Borough
Eileen Bradley, New Britain Township
Michael Walsh, New Britain Township
Devan Ambron, Milford Township
Angela Benner, Plumstead Township
Paul Stepanoff, Richland Township
Sherry Masteller, Rieglesville Borough
David Rivet, Sellersville Borough
Mark Fournier, Telford Borough
Joseph Golden, Upper Southampton Township
John Boyle, Warminster Heights
Gregg Schuster, Warminster Township
Barry Lubber, Warrington Township
Ashley Casey, Warwick Township
Becki Wilhelm, Warwick Township
Kyle Seckinger, Warwick Township
Joseph Pantano, Wrightstown Township

Sponsors:

Mike Italia, Barry Isett & Associates
Bob Solarrz, DVIT
Carol Bigham, DVIT
Aaron Nelson, Hough Associates
Ryan Ingham, Hough Associates
Thomas Panzer, High Swartz
Chad Dixson, McMahon Associates
Patty Barthel, Waste Management

Dan Fagan, Senator Steve Santarsiero's office
Stephen Seufert, Commissioner Harvie's office

3. Presentations:

Ms. Benner introduced members of the Econsult Solutions (ESI) team who have prepared and presented the "Financial Projections in the Age of COVID." The presentation provided the Bucks County Consortium with a county-wide fiscal analysis of revenues due to the current pandemic. The ESI team included: Steve Wray, Stephen Mullin, Alix Sullivan, and Dan Connelly. Alix Sullivan presented the county-wide analysis of major revenue sources impacting Consortium members, which had a scenario-based projections through the end of 2020; which was based on historic budget, monthly tax collections from past 2 years, current monthly tax collection reports, and projections of future tax collections, based on potential recovery scenarios (optimistic, moderate, pessimistic).

For the analysis, ESI will combined monthly tax collection reports from the County's EIT tax collector and local tax collectors to provide both a current snapshot and future impacts, based on best available tax collection information, as well as projections of how economic losses will impact municipal revenue sources. With this information and municipal budgets from 2018 to 2020, ESI prepared an impact index which will show the likely range of fiscal impacts for Consortium members as a whole, under the three scenarios (optimistic, moderate, low). The index will provide a summary of countywide impacts, individual municipality impacts, along with observations on current state of local government financial options. The Impact Index to demonstrate those communities most at risk due to scenario projections.

4. Treasurer's Report and Payment of Bills:

Upon motion by Stephanie Mason, seconded by Barry Luber, the Treasurer's Report for May 2020, was unanimously approved.

6. Approval of Minutes:

Upon motion by Stephanie Mason, seconded by Paul Stepanoff, the May 7, 2020 meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

7. Other Business:

None.

8. Upcoming Events:

Ms. Benner made an announcement that the location and discussion for the September 3rd BCC meeting is TBD.

9. Adjournment:

The meeting was adjourned at 11:30 AM.

Respectfully Submitted,



Ashley Casey
Consortium Coordinator