

November 4, 2008

The Juniata County Commissioners met on the above date with Commissioners Jeff Zimmerman, Dale Shelley and Teresa O'Neal present. Also attending were Emergency Services Director Allen Weaver, Maintenance Supervisor Rich Fisher, representing Penn State Extension Tom Walker, Teresa Ellinger, Trudy Shearer, Tammy Heikes and Times Reporter Paulette Forry, Juniata Sentinel reporter Maria Yohn and Lewistown Sentinel Reporter Micaiah Bilger.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Commissioner Zimmerman. A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. The October 28th Minutes were approved as submitted on motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried.

Commissioners' Board Meeting

Weaver gave a brief update on the Rural Addressing Project. The transition data has been received and forwarded to Kimball's. Kimball's is working on the data and after completion will advise as to what areas new addresses will be released next. Weaver stated when these hurdles are cleared, the Project will move forward quickly.

On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved a recommendation from Fisher to remove shrubbery from around the courthouse and monuments at a cost of \$950.00. Fisher verified money was available in his budget to cover the cost. Low-profile plants will be planted in the spring.

Fisher also noted the purchase of a 2008 GMC Sierra, 4-wheel drive pickup at a cost of \$19,762.00.

The commissioners took the following actions:

- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved tax exonerations for Fermanagh Township, pending signature of the tax collector.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved Application for County Aid submitted by Greenwood Township in the amount of \$3,873.73.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved Comprehensive Plan check #130, payable to Rettew Associates in the amount of \$3,110.71.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved an agreement with Bio-Haz Solution submitted by Cost Management.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved Proclamation No. 2008-6 in honor of Penn State Extension's 90th anniversary.
- Treasurer King joined the meeting at which time a motion was made by Shelley and seconded by Zimmerman to approve a request from her to purchase software from Unifund BudgetSense Professional Services. A lengthy discussion ensued after which O'Neal voted against the purchase based on the fact she felt a new program would not solve problems within the Treasurer's department. O'Neal also indicated she had not been involved in any discussions leading up to the request being placed on the agenda. O'Neal questioned whether there had been meetings that she was not included. Zimmerman, Shelley and King all stated there had been no discussions or meetings to discuss the Program, among any or all of them, outside the two presentations made by Unifund. The cost of the software and training is \$42,759.00 plus a server and licensing fees of \$9,645.00. Commissioner Zimmerman stated the contract will be sent to the Solicitor for review.

Salary Board

No business was brought before the Board.

Retirement Board

No business was brought before the Board.

On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, the meeting at 11:19 a.m.

Jeffrey M. Zimmerman, Chairman

Dale S. Shelley, Vice Chairman

Teresa J. O'Neal, Secretary

Submitted For Approval
Sherlyn Mosebey