

December 13, 2011

The Juniata County Commissioners met on the above date with Commissioners Jeff Zimmerman Dale Shelley and Teresa O'Neal present. Also attending were Commissioner elect Robert Reynolds, Commander of AMVETS Post 122 David Barnes, representing the County Civil War Re-enactors Samuel Leister, Donald Husler Jr., Pam Amig, Betsy Maykut and Rich Walters, Juniata Sentinel reporter Maria Yohn, Times reporter Paulette Forry and Lewistown Sentinel reporter Miciah 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. After amending the Minutes of the December 6th meeting to show the bid for the 2012 Tax Anticipation Note by the First National Bank of Mifflintown rate to borrow as 1.33% and to reinvest was .75%, the Minutes were approved on motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried.

Barnes read a letter of support from the AMVETS Post 122, dated November 7, 2011 in support of the Civil War Monument requested by the local re-enactors group.

Leister was present to request the position of the memorial wall be in front of the obelisk. Leister noted most of the money has been secured and before they can secure the stone, they are requesting the Commissioners' approval for placement of the wall.

Shelley noted that the two requests the Commissioners had made to the group – verification of the names and permission for placement of the wall, are being done. Shelley then made a motion to give permission for the monument in the area requested. The motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioner Zimmerman stated his concern is that placement of another monument in front of the obelisk would compromise the obelisk as the centerpiece. He also stated that the size would be pre-eminent to the other monuments representing others who had sacrificed for their country.

Commissioner O'Neal indicated her position hasn't changed. She does not support an additional monument. She does, however support the efforts of the group to recognize the individuals but the decision Commissioners make now will affect generations to come. She stated she feels there are alternative ways to recognize the names of the individuals who lost their lives.

The commissioners took the following actions:

- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, ratified HazMat check #1106, payable to Fleet Services in the amount of \$93.99.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, ratified CDBG check #1089, payable to Hostetler Custom Woodworks in the amount of \$7,350.00
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, adopted Resolution #2011-7 authorizing the Tax Anticipation Note.
- On motion of O'Neal, suggested the local match of \$2,441.50 for implementation of the PA 2-1-1 Central Region Call Center be paid through the Commissioners' IT line item. The motion died for a lack of a second.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved the local match of \$2,441.50 for implementation of the PA 2-1-1 Central Region Call Center be paid through the general fund.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved a letter advising the Department of Public Welfare of the 2012 compensation rates for Children & Youth employees, submitted by Children & Youth Director Helen Henry.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved an engagement letter with Colledge & Snyder for 2012 accounting services. The rate will be \$71 per hour plus any other out-of-pocket expenses that may be incurred.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved a Revised Memorandum of Understanding for Act 22 Services recommended by CCAP.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved tax exonerations for Greenwood, Fayette and Tuscarora Townships and Mifflintown Borough.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved a Purchase of Service Agreement with Adelphoi Village submitted by Children and Youth Director Helen Henry.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved the 2012 Emergency Management Performance Grant submitted by Emergency Services Director Allen Weaver.
- On motion of Shelley/Zimmerman, approved checks #33,770 through #33,834 in the amount of \$57,468.90. Commissioner O'Neal abstained because her expense check is included in those numbers.

Budget Discussion

No discussion.

Salary Board

- No action was taken

Retirement Board

- No action was taken.

On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, the meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Jeffrey M. Zimmerman, Chairman

Dale S. Shelley, Vice Chairman

Teresa J. O'Neal, Secretary

Submitted for Approval
Sherlyn Mosebey