

December 20, 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, Juniata Sentinel reporter Maria Yohn 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. On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, the Minutes of the December 13th meeting were approved as submitted.

The Commissioners took the following actions:

- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, ratified CDBG checks –

#1091	Mazzuca Enterprises	\$39,296.86
#1092	Castle Valley Consultants	1,338.46
#1093	SEDA-COG	1,225.00
#1094	Mazzuca Enterprises	106,794.64
#1095	ACB Home Improvement	4,050.00
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley, re-appointed Commissioner Zimmerman to the SouthCentral LEO Board of Directors.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved a request from Public Defender Steve Manbeck to have over-budget expenses approved through the end of the year.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved tax exonerations for Milford Township.
- On motion of Shelley/Zimmerman, adopted the 2012 budget that was presented on November 29, in the amount of \$9,218,520.43. A transfer of \$1,263,875.43 will be made from the reserve/fund balance. Commissioner Zimmerman stated this amount represents approximately 5.3 mills. On a roll call vote, Commissioners Zimmerman and Shelley voted for the motion and Commissioner O'Neal voted against the motion.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved the millage remain at the present rate of 22.75 mills. On a roll call vote Commissioners Zimmerman, Shelley and O'Neal voted for the motion.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved checks #33,835 through #33884 in the amount of \$36,731.66.

Budget Discussion

No discussion.

Salary Board

- No action was taken

Retirement Board

- No action was taken.

Commissioner O'Neal noted that she had met earlier this morning with a member of Senator Toomey's staff. Topics of discussion were funding for human services, FEMA, economic development and CDBG funding.

Commissioner Shelley discussed the changes in the Assessment Office during his tenure. Additional staff was hired which resulted in more properties being added to the tax rolls over the past 8 years. Three thousand two hundred and sixteen properties were visited during this period. Revenues collected for this same period were – county taxes \$730,350 and school taxes \$1,887,692. Shelley pointed out that revenues were higher than they would have been without additional staff. Commissioner O'Neal stated it was a good business decision that was made and is still paying off.

At 10:16 a.m., Commissioner Zimmerman recessed the regular Board meeting and convened an Executive Session to discuss legal matters. The Executive Session adjourned at 10:35 a.m.

On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, the regular board 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