

October 28, 2008

The Juniata County Commissioners met on the above date with Commissioners Jeff Zimmerman, Dale Shelley and Teresa O'Neal present. Also attending were representing Lack Ambulance Jane Shirk and Jackie Leister, Emergency Services Director Allen Weaver, Voter Registrar Eva Stong, Probation Officer Aaron Diehl 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 21st Minutes were approved as submitted on motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried.

#### Commissioners' Board Meeting

Shirk, Leister and Weaver were present to discuss communication problems at the southern end of the County. Radio communications and pagers are not working. There are many "dead spots" in this area and unless a tower would be available to support a microwave, communications cannot be transmitted or received. Recently after four auto accidents in the area, emergency personnel found it necessary to contact the 911 center to locate the scene of the accidents. After discussion, it was decided Weaver will contact the State for permission to use a state-owned tower in Perry County. Weaver will contact legislators to ask for their assistance. Grant funds will also be reviewed to see if funding would be available for a new tower.

Stong stated that everything is on schedule for next week's election. For first time voters or voters voting for the first time in a new precinct, identification must be provided. The identification must be a photo ID.

Diehl noted the County is participating for the second year in the Red Ribbon campaign. The program is in honor of a Federal undercover agent who was identified as an agent. He was then tortured and murdered.

The commissioners took the following actions:

- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, appointed Anthony Cilestio as a machine operator for Fayette Township.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved a Performance Evaluation for Luke Primak, Children and Youth.
- On motion of Shelley/O'Neal and unanimously carried, approved tax exonerations for Fermanagh Township.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved the quarterly HAVA Grant reports.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved continuing the loan for the Spanish American War cannon from the State Museum.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved Application for County Aid submitted by Mifflin Borough to encumber \$1,749.33 for future projects.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved Greenway, Open Space and Rural Recreation Plan check #116, payable to YSM in the amount of \$428.50
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved the Medical Assistance Transportation Program report for quarter ending September 30, 2008.

On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved student participation in the upcoming election. Students are eligible to act as clerks or machine inspectors. Those participating are -- from East Juniata High School -- Molly Lorenz, Kaylin Martin, Richard McAlister, Shannon Soder, Talena Truitt, Emily Erickson, Alicia Weader, Ralph Strunk, Ben Diffenderfer, Andrew Slater, Beth Heidler, Emily Davis, Katina Yousey, Kendra Yeater, Jen Brodish and Shellie Dimm. Juniata High School participants are -- Jessica Schock, Jenna Bryner, Mandy Benner, Bryan Waters, Ted Kostich, Ben Clark, Jenny Welsh, Tiara Thompson and Calvin Brackbill.

#### Salary Board

No business was brought before the Board.

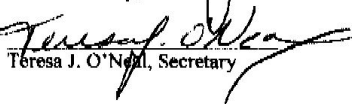
#### Retirement Board

No business was brought before the Board.

On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, the meeting recessed at 10:40 a.m. and adjourned at 10:55 a.m.

  
Jeffrey M. Zimmerman, Chairman

  
Dale S. Shelley, Vice Chairman

  
Teresa J. O'Neal, Secretary

Submitted For Approval  
Sherlyn Mosebey