

November 18, 2014

The Juniata County Commissioners met on the above date with Commissioners Jeff Zimmerman, Alice Gray and Teresa O'Neal present. Also attending were Sentinel reporter Julianne Cahill, Juniata Sentinel reporter Maria Yohn, Times reporter Paulette Forry, Planning Director Bradley Kerstetter, Register and Recorder Alicia Seigler, Veterans Affairs Director Daniel Dreese, and William Siegel and Amy Davis of SEDA-COG.

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 a motion by Gray and a second by O'Neal, the Minutes of the October 28, 2014 meeting were unanimously approved as submitted.

There being no public comment, the Commissioners took the following actions:

- Chairman Zimmerman provided an update regarding the recent fuel oil spill at the Juniata County Children & Youth Services offices.
- The Commissioners reviewed the following October 2014 reports as listed.
  - "Treasurer's Report" as submitted by Sandra F. King, Treasurer.
  - Sheriff Department's reports as submitted Thomas Lyter, Juniata County Sheriff.
  - "Children and Youth Statistical Report" as submitted by Penni Abram, Children & Youth Director.
  - "Summary of Collections Report – Fines and Costs" as submitted by Jacqueline T. Leister, Magisterial District Judge.
  - "Summary of Collections Report – Fines and Costs" as submitted by Barbara M. Lyter, Magisterial District Judge.
- It was moved by O'Neal and seconded by Gray to adopt Resolution No. 2014-4 "Fair Housing" as recommended by SEDA-COG. The motion was unanimously carried.
- The Commissioners listened to an interim report by Chris Wysocki, Administrator for Juniata Valley Behavioral & Developmental Services.
- It was moved by Gray and seconded by O'Neal to approve an agreement with IMR County Solutions to convert existing paper based index books into a searchable format within LANDEX at a cost of \$16,500.00 as submitted by Alicia Seigler, Register and Recorder. Funding will be through the Recorder's Improvement and Register Clerk Computer Fee Funds. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by O'Neal and seconded by Gray to approve the 2015 Holiday Schedule for the Juniata Courthouse and offices. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by Gray and seconded by O'Neal to ratify the following Juniata County Hazardous Materials checks.

○ #1209	\$98.00	Witmer Public Safety Group	Liquid Smoke
○ #1210	\$151.41	Wex Bank	Fuel

The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by O'Neal and seconded by Gray to ratify the following CDBG-IDIS check as submitted by the Juniata County Planning Department.

○ #1191	\$52,460.07	Juniata County	FY 2013 Reimbursement
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The motion was unanimously carried.
- The Commissioners acknowledged the resignation of Brady Clemens as Director of the Juniata County Library effective November 25, 2014. The Commissioners offered their thanks and gratitude for Mr. Clemens' service.
- The Commissioners acknowledged the resignation of Andrea N. Brackbill as a full-time Deputy Sheriff effective as of the end of business on November 21, 2014.
- It was moved by O'Neal and seconded by Gray to approve the "Commercial Energy Sales Agreement" between the Juniata County Library and Champion Energy Services, LLC. for consortium electricity purchasing beginning January 6, 2014. The contract is for one year. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by Gray and seconded by O'Neal to approve the "Commercial Energy Sales Agreement" between the Juniata County Commissioners and Champion Energy Services, LLC. for consortium electricity purchasing beginning January 6, 2014. The contract is for one year. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by O'Neal and seconded by Gray to ratify the Juvenile Court Judges' Commission Grant-In-Aid Award Notification in the amount of \$31,097.00 for contract period July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2017 as submitted by Michelle A. Beaver, Chief Probation Officer. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by Gray and seconded by O'Neal to approve the appointment of Ms. Cristy Yoders of United Way of Mifflin-Juniata to the Juniata County HSDF Advisory Board as recommended by Allison L. Fisher, Human Services Director. The term of office is open-ended and will be effective as of the date of the appointment. The motion was unanimously carried.

- It was moved by O’Neal and seconded by Gray to authorize the approval and payment of outstanding invoices through the remainder of fiscal year 2014 for the both the Maintenance and Children and Youth departments which are now over-budget. Commissioner O’Neal expressed concerns regarding two maintenance projects that she believes were not properly bid and the importance of establishing a proper purchase order system within the County. Commissioner Gray agreed that an improved purchase order system needs to be explored. Chairman Zimmerman called for the question and the motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by Gray and seconded by O’Neal to approve the submission of a grant application to the Veterans’ Trust Fund for the purpose of funding Vet activities for Veteran Outreach initiatives within Juniata and Mifflin Counties with specific focus on healthcare enrollment and education on the VA Healthcare System as recommended by the Mifflin-Juniata Human Services Department and the Veterans Affairs Departments of Mifflin and Juniata Counties. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by O’Neal and seconded by Gray to approve the tax exonerations for Lack Township as per the material provided. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by Gray and seconded by O’Neal to approve a request for Liquid Fuel Funds for Beale Township in the amount of \$1,076.45. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by O’Neal and seconded by Gray to approve the hiring of Megan D. Freed to fill the position of Deputy Sheriff. The salary for this position will be as per the current ICOP Bargaining Unit contract. A starting date has not been established. Following questions regarding the position’s posting status, the motion and second to approve were withdrawn. It was then moved by O’Neal and seconded by Gray to table the action pending clarification of when the opening was posted. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by O’Neal and seconded by Gray to reject the following bids which were recently submitted for the cooperative communications tower installation. The Commissioners explained that the project RFP needed to be reissued to include important information not available when the initial document was released. The motion was unanimously carried.

	<b>Vendor</b>	<b>Total Price</b>
<b>1</b>	JG Contracting Co.	\$ 712,885.00
<b>2</b>	TSU	\$ 715,543.26
<b>3</b>	Com Pros	\$ 426,715.00

- It was moved by Gray and seconded by O’Neal to approve the “Agreement for Assumption of Liability for Costs by Members of Seda-Council of Governments as a Participant in the Unemployment Compensation Program of the County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania Unemployment Compensation Trust” as recommended by SEDA-COG. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by O’Neal and seconded by Gray to ratify checks #41558 – 41597 in the amount of \$88,499.69. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by Gray and seconded by O’Neal to ratify checks #41598 – 41646 in the amount of \$57,576.61. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by O’Neal and seconded by Gray to approve checks #41647 – 41685 in the amount of \$41,565.27. The motion was unanimously carried.

There being no further business, it was moved by Gray and seconded by O’Neal to adjourn at 10:42 a.m. The motion was unanimously carried.

II. Salary Board – No business scheduled.

III. Retirement Board – No business scheduled.

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Jeffrey M. Zimmerman, Chairman

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Alice J. Gray, Vice Chairperson

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Teresa J. O’Neal, Secretary

Submitted for Approval  
S. James Bahorik, County Administrator