

April 19, 2016

The Juniata County Commissioners met on the above date with Commissioners Alice Gray, Todd Graybill and Mark Partner present. Also attending were Sentinel reporter Joe Cannon, Juniata Sentinel reporter Maria Yohn, Times reporter Paulette Forry, Maintenance Director Richard Fisher, County Treasurer Sandra F. King, Tri-County Drug and Alcohol representative Mike Hannon, Juniata Valley Bank representative Cindy Williams, Juniata County Library Executive Director Vince Giordano and Mr. Richard Burkholder representing Friends of the Juniata County Library.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairperson Gray. A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. On a motion by Graybill and a second by Partner, the Minutes of the April 12, 2016 meeting were unanimously approved as submitted.

During the public comment period, Paulette Forry asked the Commissioners about the possibility of a county-wide burning ban being issued. Chairperson Gray responded that the County has received a request to enact a ban but the Commissioners cannot simply issue one. Gray added that any potential resolution regarding a ban must go through an approval process before official action may be taken.

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

- The Commissioners reported attending the following meetings and events the weeks of April 10th and 17th.

Commissioner Graybill Seda-Cog, Mifflintown
Fire Chiefs, Richfield
Juniata County Prevention Board, Mifflintown
CJAB, County Offices

Commissioner Partner PCORP, Harrisburg
CJAB, County Offices
Regional Services, Lewistown

Commissioner Gray Human Services Block Grant,
School Consolidation, Mifflintown

County Admin Bahorik Juniata County Business & Education, Mifflintown

- The Commissioners listened to a presentation by Ms. Cindy Williams of the Juniata Valley Bank regarding the Richard J. and Lela A. Nestler College Scholarship Fund.
- It was moved by Graybill and seconded by Partner to approve the following purchase of service agreements between Juniata County Children and Youth Services, the Juniata County Probation Department and the entities listed as submitted by Robyn Ventresca, Children & Youth Fiscal Assistant. The term of each agreement is July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2016 inclusive. The motion was unanimously carried.
 - The Bair Foundation of Pennsylvania
 - Adelphoi Village, Inc.
 - Families United Network, Inc.
 - Family Care for Children and Youth, Inc.
 - Youth Services Agency of Pennsylvania
 - Pathways Adolescence Center
- It was moved by Partner and seconded by Graybill to approve a proposal by Friends of the Library to install a memorial garden at the Juniata County Library. The project will be fully funded by Friends of the Library. Richard Burkholder explained that the project is being done in honor of the Library's 50 year anniversary. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by Graybill and seconded by Partner to ratify the following Juniata County Hazardous Materials check. The motion was unanimously carried.
 - #1248 \$19.42 Wex Bank Fuel
- It was moved by Partner and seconded by Graybill to approve a request for Open Space Legacy Funds for Mifflintown Borough in the amount of \$1,056.65. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by Graybill and seconded by Partner to approve the tax exonerations for Delaware Township and Mifflintown Borough as per the material provided. The motion was unanimously carried.
- The Commissioners acknowledged the resignation of John L. Langan as a temporary, part-time Deputy Sheriff with the Juniata County Sheriff's office effective at the end of business on March 31, 2016.
- It was moved by Graybill and seconded by Partner to approve the hiring of Rick F. Baublitz to fill the position of Chief Deputy Sheriff effective April 25, 2016 as recommended by H. Thomas Lyter, Sheriff. Mr. Baublitz replaces Donald R. Lyter who retired. The motion was unanimously carried.

- The Commissioners reviewed the “Veterans Affairs Report” for the 1st Quarter of 2016 as submitted by Daniel W. Dreese, Veterans Affairs Director.
- It was moved by Partner and seconded by Graybill to approve a letter of support for the Mifflin Juniata Area Agency on Aging regarding an application to secure funding for the Centers in Motion project. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by Graybill and seconded by Partner to approve payment of checks #45968 - #46010 in the amount of \$60,635.87. The motion was unanimously carried.
- Mike Hannon briefed the Commissioners regarding some upcoming events related to Tri-County Drug and Alcohol.
- **INFORMATIONAL:** Due to Election Day, there will not be a meeting on April 26, 2016.

Following official business, Chairperson Gray stated that there have been mostly positive comments regarding the recent delinquent tax notice that was published in the local papers. Gray added that overall, there were good results from the notice and the Commissioners will probably continue to publish the list in the future. Commissioner Graybill reminded everyone that there is an option for delinquent taxpayers to make payments, the arrangements for which may be made through the Tax Claim office. Commissioner Partner concluded the discussion by saying that the first taxpayer to respond to the notice was appreciative because that individual incorrectly believed their bill had been paid when, in fact, it hadn't.

There being no further discussion, it was moved by Partner and seconded by Graybill to adjourn at 10:29am. The motion was unanimously carried.

II. Salary Board

Salary Board Member, Commissioner Alice Gray called to order the Salary Board meeting on Tuesday, April 19, 2016 at 10:30 am. Other Members present were Commissioner Todd Graybill, Commissioner Mark Partner, and Treasurer Sandra King. Also in attendance were Chief Clerk S James Bahorik, Michael Hannon, Director of Tri-County Drug and Alcohol, and various members of the media.

The purpose of the meeting was to set a salary for Rick Baublitz, who is the new Chief Deputy for the Sheriff's Department.

A motion was made by Treasurer King to set Baublitz's salary at 75% of the Sheriff's yearly salary. King referenced the Salary Scale approved beginning 2013 for the Chief Deputies who are employed in an elected officials office. Due to Baublitz's prior employment as a Sheriff's Deputy, King felt that 75%, which is the highest percentage, would be appropriate. Motion was seconded by Commissioner Partner and seconded by Commissioner Graybill. Motion carried.

Commissioner Graybill made a motion to adjourn at 10:32 which was seconded by Commissioner Partner. Motion carried.

Respectfully, Sandra F King

III. Retirement Board - No business scheduled.

Alice J. Gray, Chairperson

Todd A. Graybill, Vice Chairman

Mark R. Partner, Secretary

Submitted for Approval
S. James Bahorik, County Administrator