

March 2, 2010

The Juniata County Commissioners met on the above date with Commissioners Jeff Zimmerman, Dale Shelley and Teresa O'Neal present. Also attending were Planning Director Dave Bardell members of the public Clair Bair, Jr. and an unidentified individual, Juniata Sentinel reporter Sheila Yorks, Times Reporter Paulette Forry 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. On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously approved, the Minutes of the February 23rd meeting were approved as submitted.

Bair again expressed concerns about the completion date on the courthouse renovations. Commissioner Zimmerman explained there will be a construction meeting this afternoon at 3 p.m. and a completion date will be provided at next week's Board meeting. A delay in the dome painting was discussed with Commissioner Zimmerman explaining a consensus had not been reached on the color but would be decided at this afternoon's meeting. Bair also questioned the cost of scaffolding to which Commissioner Shelley replied that the cost is \$116 per day. Bair questioned the \$140,000 - \$150,000 cost for floor tile to which Commissioner Zimmerman replied that the figure also included subflooring costs. Bair expressed concerns about missing tiles and if there had been an asbestos check. Commissioner Zimmerman stated that he did not know if asbestos testing had been done but would bring the issue to the building meeting.

An unknown individual who attended the meeting stated that he had been turned down for housing aid. He had sought help through the Mifflin/Juniata Human Services office but was told he was ineligible. Commissioner O'Neal will meet with the individual after the meeting and follow up to determine his status.

The commissioners took the following actions:

- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved a Purchase of Service Agreement with Hope for Kids, Inc. submitted by Children & Youth Director Helen Henry.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved a Purchase of Service Agreement with Yes Academy submitted by Children & Youth Director Helen Henry.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved a recommendation from maintenance Supervisor Rich Fisher to hire Gilbert Brackbill to fill the vacancy created by the retirement of Jake Hoover. The start date will be March 8<sup>th</sup> and the pay will be per union contract.
- On motion of Zimmerman/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved, pending review and approval by PCCD, a recommendation from D.A. Cory Snook to hire Sylvia Middaugh as a part-time Victim Witness Coordinator at an hourly rate of \$15.34. This is a grant-funded position.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved a recommendation from D.A. Snook to hire Carly Howard to serve an unpaid internship with the D.A.'s office beginning March 23, 2010. Howard is a Criminal Justice major at South Hills School of Business and Technology.
- On motion of O'Neal/Shelley and unanimously carried, approved a Greenway, Open Space and Rural Recreation Plan check #125, payable to Times Publishing in the amount of \$18.75.

Commissioner O'Neal stated the 2010 Census surveys are being distributed and again urged everyone to complete and return the form.

Commissioner O'Neal questioned why the payroll is not a part of the reports submitted by the Treasurer's Office. They were included prior to October of 2009. Commissioner Zimmerman stated he will check with the Treasurer.

Bair asked if the Commissioners are involved in the new school building issue that will be addressed at public meetings later this month. The commissioners responded that the school district is a completely separate entity and they are not a part of the decision making process with regards to any school district issue.

#### Salary Board

- No action was taken.

#### Retirement Board

- No action was taken.

On motion of O'Neal/Zimmerman the meeting recessed at 10:15 a.m. and adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

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Jeffrey M. Zimmerman, Chairman

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Dale S. Shelley, Vice Chairman

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Teresa J. O'Neal, Secretary

Submitted for approval

Sherlyn Mosebey