

The Board of Mifflin County Commissioners met for their Regular Meeting on Thursday, October 20, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. In attendance were Commissioners Mark A. Sunderland, Otis E. Riden, Jr. and Robert A. Reck; County Solicitor Patricia Gardner; Chief Clerk Cathy Romig; and, Confidential Clerk Shirley Haller.

Joe Cannon of the Sentinel/County Observer was the only representative present from the news media.

Guests present were Treas. Janice Peachey; Larry Clark; Anthony & Shirley Geno; Dennis Noble; Lucas Parkes of the EADS Group.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Chairman Sunderland.

I. A moment of silent prayer was observed as the Invocation.

II. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

**III. Approval of Minutes:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Riden to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 6, 2011 as received. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. Motion carried.

**IV. County Treasurer's Report:** 10/5/2011 to 10/19/11

General Account Starting Balance		\$	0.32
Deposits – Receipts #57011 – 57261			741,960.64
Transfer from Capital Reserve			657,546.00
	Total Debits	\$	1,399,506.64
Bills Paid – Ck. #86436 to 86681			1,141,874.49
Transfer to Payroll – Ck. #56993 – 57220			256,446.49
	Total Credits		1,398,320.98
Ending Balance (Interest @ 0.5%)			1,185.98
Liquid Fuels Account	JVB @ 0.5%		342,194.50
911 Telephone Acct.	JVB @ 0.5%		311,430.27
Capital Reserve Account	JVB @ 1.01%		4,150,035.04
	General Acct.		2,856,076.85
	911 Fund		59.79
	TRAN Acct.		1,293,898.40
Total Capital Reserve Account			4,150,035.04

Motion was made by Commissioner Riden to accept the Treasurer's report as received, subject to audit. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. Motion carried.

**V. Approval of Bills:**

1. General Fund, Accts. Payable: Ck. #86436 to 86681 in the amount of \$1,141,874.49

2. Payroll Account: Ck. #56522 to 56992 in the amount of \$256,446.49

3. MCCDBG Accounts:

Ck. #228 – MC Home Program 07 – Hostler’s Custom Woodworks – Inv. #164 –  
\$3,901.75  
Ck. #230 – MC Home Program 07 – A to Z Builders – Final 10% Payment –  
\$1,797.50  
Ck. #999 – MCCDBG 08 & 10 – Co. of Mifflin – Reimb. M&S/PH/Postage –  
\$405.39  
Ck. #1000 – MCCDBG 08 – MC Planning & Development – Reimb. 2011 Annual  
Conference - \$88.00  
Ck. #1001 – MCCDBG 08 – Sentinel – Inv. #105528 - \$202.52  
Ck. #1002 – MCCDBG 09 – Cecil Swartz, Jr. – Inv. #146 - \$150.00

4. 9-1-1 Telephone Account:

Ck. #2954 – Valley Rural Electric Cooperative – Inv. #6151801111001 –  
\$1,953.80  
Wire Transfer: #1099 – Verizon - \$128.82  
#1101 – AT&T - \$416.83  
#1102 – Penelec - \$40.83  
#1103 – Penelec - \$29.09  
#1104 – Penelec - \$32.55  
#1105 – Penelec - \$31.56

5. LEPC Account:

Ck. #3456 – SHI – Inv. #B00351710 - \$229.78  
Ck. #3457 – Sheetz Advantage Card – Inv. #27406054 - \$411.45

6. Liquid Fuels Account:

Wire Transfer: #1100 – Penelec - \$36.91

*Motion was made by Commissioner Reck to approve payment of bills as listed above. Seconded by Commissioner Riden. Motion carried.*

VI. Committee Reports:

Commissioner Riden: CTCQ Leader Meeting  
GE Ground Breaking Ceremony  
Spoke to Community Watch Group – Highland Park  
Central Counties Youth Detention Board Meeting

Commissioner Reck: Dept. Head Meeting  
GE Inspection Technologies Celebrate Ground  
Breaking for Expansion  
Salary Board Meeting

Commissioner Sunderland: GE Ground Breaking Ceremony  
Youth Park Board Meeting  
Salary Board Meeting

VII. Public Comment:

*Anthony Geno said there was a newspaper article for appropriation of funds for the Mann Edge Property? Can you tell me about that.*

*Chairman Sunderland said there is going to be a Senior Living Center there. SEDA-COG, Mifflin County, Lewistown Borough will participate with funds. It will go through Kish Bank. It is a good thing. Ground Breaking for that is November 2, 2011.*

VIII. Old Business: None

**IX. New Business:**

**A. Purchase of Service Agreement for use, if needed, by C&Y:**

- *United Methodist Home for Children Residential Care – Mechanicsburg, PA*

*Motion was made by Commissioner Riden to approve the Purchase of Service Agreement as listed above. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. Motion carried.*

**B. Holiday Schedules for 2012 – Prison, Telecommunicators & Courthouse Employees:**

*The schedule is as follows:*

**MIFFLIN COUNTY EMPLOYEES  
2012  
HOLIDAY SCHEDULE  
Courthouse**

New Years Day	Monday January 2 <sup>nd</sup>
Martin Luther King Day	Monday January 16 <sup>th</sup>
Presidents Day	Monday February 20 <sup>th</sup>
Good Friday	Friday April 6 <sup>th</sup>
Memorial Day	Monday May 28 <sup>th</sup>
Flag Day	Thursday June 14 <sup>th</sup>
Independence Day	Wednesday July 4 <sup>th</sup>
Labor Day	Monday Sept 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Columbus Day	Monday October 8 <sup>th</sup>
Veterans Day	Monday November 12 <sup>th</sup>
Thanksgiving 22 <sup>nd</sup> & 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Thursday & Friday November
Christmas 24 <sup>th</sup> & 25 <sup>th</sup>	Monday & Tuesday December

**MIFFLIN COUNTY EMPLOYEES  
2012  
HOLIDAY SCHEDULE  
Prison**

New Years	Sunday January 1 <sup>st</sup>
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Presidents Day	Monday February 20 <sup>th</sup>
Good Friday	Friday April 6 <sup>th</sup>
Memorial Day	Monday May 28 <sup>th</sup>
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**MIFFLIN COUNTY EMPLOYEES  
2012  
HOLIDAY SCHEDULE  
Telecommunicators**

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*Motion was made by Commissioner Riden to approve the Holiday Schedules for 2012 as listed above. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. Motion carried.*

*Shirley Geno asked how many holidays were in the year. Chairman Sunderland said the Courthouse Employees have 14; the Prison has 11; and, the Telecommunicators have 14. They vary because the Prison and 911 are on duty 24/7. Their holidays are sometimes on Saturdays and Sundays as opposed to Fridays or Mondays.*

*C. Request for exoneration of the County portion of 2011 per capita taxes:*

- *Menno Twp. Tax Collector Jeanette Bordell – 18*
- *Armagh Twp. Tax Collector Danielle Sheetz – 2*
- *Union Twp. Tax Collector Herbert Eichhorn – 7*
- *Granville Twp. Tax Collector Billi Weaver - 132*

*Motion was made by Commissioner Reck to approve the requests for exoneration of the County portion of 2011 per capita taxes as listed above. Seconded by Commissioner Riden.*

*Question: Larry Clark said he has noticed that some tax collectors ask for exoneration more than once throughout the year. Do we have any way to find out what the percentage of the per capita taxes are exonerated in each township? He was told that Miffco may do it. There are 9 codes to exonerate – students, deceased, moved from the County, etc. Anthony Geno then asked if we see any trends for exonerations. It is mostly students.*

*Motion carried.*

*D. Service Agreement with CenturyLink, Mansfield, OH for the Mifflin County 911 Center providing maintenance and upgrades to the 911 telephone system for 2011-2012 - \$2,359.71 per month for 12 months:*

*Motion was made by Commissioner Riden to approve the service agreement with CenturyLink as listed above. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. Motion carried.*

*E. Request from Miffco Tax Services, Inc. for exoneration of the County portion of per capita taxes for the years 1983 – 2010 totaling \$1,380.25:*

*Motion was made by Commissioner Riden to approve the request from Miffco Tax Services, Inc. for exoneration of the County portion of per capita taxes for the years 1983 – 2010 totaling \$1,380.25. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. Motion carried.*

*F. Application for County Aid – 2011 Distribution Liquid Fuels:*

- *Newton Hamilton Borough - \$1,000*

*Motion was made by Commissioner Reck to approve the application for County Aid for 2011 distribution of Liquid Fuels as listed above. Seconded by Commissioner Riden. Motion carried.*

*G. Appointment of James Dillman, Lewistown, PA to the Mifflin County Hospital Authority to fill an unexpired term – term expires 12/13/14:*

*Motion was made by Commissioner Riden to approve the appointment of James Dillman to the Mifflin County Hospital Authority to fill an unexpired term which expires 12/31/14. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. Motion carried.*

*H. Reappointment of Rob Postal, Lewistown, PA to the SEDA-COG Joint Rail Authority for another five-year term – term expires 12/31/15:*

*Motion was made by Commissioner Riden to approve the reappointment of Rob Postal for another five-year term to the SEDA-COG Joint Rail Authority which will expire 12/31/15. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. Motion carried.*

*I. Promotion of John Stewart from part-time to full-time Corrections Officer effective October 23, 2011:*

*Motion was made by Commissioner Riden to approve the promotion of John Stewart from part-time to full-time Corrections Officer effective October 23, 2011. Seconded by Commissioner Reck.*

*Larry Clark asked to return to Item C. on the agenda – exoneration of per capita taxes. Can you search and see if each tax collector is diligent in working out these exonerations in order to reach all who are eligible for exoneration.*

*Chairman Sunderland said there is a form to fill out and take to the tax collector.*

*Anthony Geno said that perhaps a letter to the Sentinel letting people know that there is a form available. The word needs to get out to the people.*

*Chairman Sunderland agreed that there needs to be some way to let people know that there are exonerations available to persons who qualify.*

*Motion was made by Commissioner Reck to adjourn. Seconded by Commissioner Riden.*

*The meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.*

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*Secretary*

*ATTEST:*

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*Chief Clerk*