

The Board of Mifflin County Commissioners met for their Regular Meeting on Thursday, June 16, 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 Dep. Treas. Deb Civitts; Laura Simonetti from GIS; Planning Dir. Bill Gomes; Larry Clark; Anthony & Shirley Geno.

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 June 2, 2011 as received. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. Motion carried.

IV. County Treasurer's Report: 6-1-11 to 6-14-11

General Account Starting Balance		\$	298.47
Deposits, Receipts #55181 – 55393			309,086.23
Transfer from Capital Reserve			341,574.00
Voided Ck. #83861			30.22
	Total Debits	\$	650,690.45
Bills Paid, Ck. #84401 – 84549			385,063.63
Transfer to Payroll, Ck. #54885 – 55117			265,924.34
Transfer to Capital Reserve			0.00
	Total Credits	\$	650,987.97
Ending Balance – Interest @ 0.5%		\$.95
Liquid Fuel Account	JVB @ 0.5%	\$	364,925.28
911 Telephone Account	JVB @ 0.5%		215,164.44
Capital Reserve Account	JVB @ 1.01%		
	General Acct. Funds		5,544,087.83
	911 Funds		562,731.81
	TRAN Acct.		1,293,713.06
	Total Capital Reserve Accounts	\$	7,400,532.70

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, Accounts Payable: Ck. #84401 to 84549 in the amount of \$385,063.63

2. Payroll Account: Ck. #54885 to 55117 in the amount of \$265,924.34

3. MCCDBG Accounts:

Ck. #189 – MC Home Program 07 – M&E Construction – Inv. #1299 - \$264.37

Ck. #190 – MC Home Program 07 – M&E Construction – Inv. #1300 –
\$17,267.60
Ck. #973 – MCCDBG – Snedeker Energy, LLC – Inv. #1115101 - \$53.89
Ck. #974 – MCCDBG 08 – SEDA-Council – Reg. Fee 7/19 & 7/20/11 - \$156.80

4. 9-1-1 Telephone Account:

Wire Transfer: 973 – CenturyLink - \$1,519.40
974 – Penelec - 33.15

Ck. #2907 – CenturyLink – Inv. #L060102068 - \$2,359.71
Ck. #2908 – Phil Lucas – 911 Center Supplies - \$171.37
Ck. #2909 – MC Commissioners – One Communication Bill - \$151.21
Ck. #2910 – TransCore – Inv. #11-01684 - \$2,069.00
Ck. #2911 – Verizon – 2 Accts. - \$529.54
Ck. #2912 – Wal*Mart – Refreshments, Alert & Advisory Meeting - \$25.60

5. LEPC Account:

Ck. #3423 – Lisa Clark – Mileage Reimbursement - \$45.92
Ck. #3424 – Com Pros – Inv. #GS05984OR - \$123.34
Ck. #3425 – Dunkin’ Donuts – 2 doz. donuts, LEPC Meeting - \$14.18
Ck. #3426 – Gene Long – Mileage Reimbursement - \$67.24
Ck. #3427 – Phone Power – Inv. #110501812 - \$17.95
Ck. #3428 – Cliff Bell, Jr. – Mileage Reimb. \$41.41
Ck. #3429 – Hess Tire & Auto Parts, Inc – Inv. #14297-1 - \$121.55
Ck. #3430 – Sheetz Advantage Card – Inv. #26287674 - \$290.28

6. Liquid Fuel Account:

Wire Transfer - #972 – Penelec - \$64.73

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: Dept. Head Meeting
Retirement Board Meeting
Personnel Board Meeting – AAA
CARS Board Meeting – AAA
Record Improvement Fund Meeting
Central Counties Youth Detention Meeting
MH/MR Tri-County Jointure Board Meeting
Commissioner Reck: Department Head Meeting
Retirement Board Meeting
Burnham Centennial
Record Improvement Fund Meeting
Relay For Life
MH/MR Tri-County Jointure Board Meeting
Commissioner Sunderland: Department Head Board Meeting
Retirement Board Meeting
Record Improvement Fund Meeting
MH/MR Tri-County Jointure Board Meeting
Burnham Centennial

VII. Public Comment:

Larry Clark: In today’s Sentinel there is a program to offer help to prisoners.
How is this being financed?
Commissioner Riden said it is being financed by the group from Lebanon. This
person has volunteered to come from Lebanon. They started the

program there – I don't have facts as to how successful they are. The only thing they ask for is volunteers from the prisoners who would like to attend and, if so, he will come up and present the program.

Larry Clark: If prisoners do participate, are they rewarded or punished?

Chairman Sunderland said he and Commissioner Reck know nothing about the program.

Sol. Gardner said that rewards and punishment are up to the Courts. Only the Court can do any kind of adjustment with a sentence.

Commissioner Riden said, again, this is strictly a voluntary program for the prisoners. We are trying to make them better persons when they re-enter society.

Mr. Clark went on to say that Borough Council is raising trouble with the park on the Square – no smoking and trashing. Another park is under way at the end of Market St. (Five Points). It will be bigger and better so we can have more benches and people trashing the place. Discussion continued.

Anthony Geno asked if a meeting was set for the tax collectors to make changes. He was told that it was not set as yet.

VIII. Old Business: *None*

IX. New Business:

A. Purchase of Service Agreement for use, if needed, by Children & Youth:

- *Bethany Christian Services of Central Pennsylvania – Lancaster, PA*

Motion was made by Commissioner Riden to approve the purchase of service agreement as listed above. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. Motion carried.

B. Request for exoneration of the County portion of 2011 Per Capita Taxes:

- *Derry Twp. Tax Collector Hope Treaster – 143*
- *Union Twp. Tax Collector Herb Eichhorn – 41*
- *Lewistown Borough Tax Collector Nancy Held – 51*
- *Brown Twp. Tax Collector Teresa (Terry) Reed – 19*

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. Motion carried.

C. Request for exoneration of 2011 real estate tax bills and relieve the tax collectors from collecting these bills:

- *Parcel No. 16, 13-0100--,007 located in Derry Twp. – mobile home was destroyed – County portion \$119.26*
- *Parcel No. 12, 25-0208--,000 located in Armagh Twp. – Dept. of Veterans Affairs has approved parcel for exempt status*

Motion was made by Commissioner Reck to approve the requests for exoneration of 2011 real estate tax bills and relieve the tax collectors from collecting these bills as listed above. Seconded by Commissioner Riden. Motion carried.

D. Requests for real estate refunds:

- *Parcel No. 15-13-119J located in Decatur Twp. – property was approved for Veterans exempt status effective 2011 – County portion \$453.89*
- *Parcel No. 12-25-215 located in Armagh Twp. – acreage error – County portion \$83.49 (2010)*

Motion was made by Commissioner Reck to approve the requests for real estate refunds as listed above. Seconded by Commissioner Riden. Motion carried.

E. Mifflin County Haz-Mat Response revised Fee Schedule:

The fee schedule is as follows:

<u>Unit/Agency</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Engine	\$ 450 per hr.
Truck	450 per hr.
Rescue	450 per hr.
Squad/Special Unit	250 per hr.
Tanker	350 per hr.
Fire Police	100 per hr.
ALS Unit	350 per hr.
BLS Unit	250 per hr.
Medical Monitoring	100 per hr.
Re-Hab Unit	200 per hr.
Haz-Mat Responder	75 per hr.
Haz-Mat Admin	100 per hr.
Haz-Mat Response Unit	250 per hr.
Haz-Mat Supply Unit	150 per hr.
Mileage	1.50 per mile
Consumable	Cost + 20% per Item/Package
Durable	Rate + 20% per Item

Motion was made by Commissioner Riden to approve the revised Fee Schedule as listed above. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. Motion carried.

F. Proposal from MCM Consulting Group, Inc. to assist the Mifflin County Emergency Services in preparing for and completing FCC licensing for narrow banding and for implementing the County's strategic communications plan:

Motion was made by Commissioner Reck to accept the proposal from MCM Consulting Group, Inc. to assist the Mifflin County Emergency Services in preparing for and completing FCC licensing for narrow banding and for implementing the County's strategic communications plan. Seconded by Commissioner Riden.

Question: Larry Clark asked where MCM Consulting Group is from? He was told from McMurray, PA. He then asked what was this plan? He was told we have to go to narrow banking instead of broad banding as mandated.

Motion carried.

G. Mifflin County GIS Data License Agreement:

Motion was made by Commissioner Riden to enter into the Mifflin County GIS Data License Agreement. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. Motion carried.

H. Agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc. – Dallas, TX for yearly maintenance support for MUNIS - \$2,747.98:

Motion was made by Commissioner Riden to enter into the agreement with Tyler Technologies, Inc. of Dallas, TX for yearly maintenance support for MUNIS at a cost of \$2,747.98. Seconded by Commissioner Reck. Motion carried.

I. Hiring of Unpaid Interns:

- *Kaitlin Stringfellow – Human Services Dept. – effective June 20, 2011*
- *Jessica Sheaffer – Register & Recorder Office – effective June 20, 2011*
- *Tia Kurtz – Register & Recorder Office – effective June 20, 2011*

Motion was made by Commissioner Reck to approve the hiring of unpaid interns as listed above. Seconded by Commissioner Riden. Motion carried.

J. Agreement between Huntingdon, Mifflin and Juniata Counties to amend the proportion of cost of MH/MR as evidenced by the resolution passed by the Juniata Valley Tri-County Mental Health & Mental Retardation Program on June 13, 2011:

Following is the Certificate and Attestation and Resolution of the Juniata Valley Tri-County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Program:

CERTIFICATE AND ATTESTATION

I, Christopher Wysocki, do hereby certify and attest that I am the Administrator of the Juniata Valley Tri-County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Program and that I have custody of the official Minutes of the said Board of County Commissioners of the Juniata Valley Tri-County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Program and that the annexed Resolution was duly adopted at a meeting of the Commissioners of the Counties of Mifflin, Juniata and Huntingdon, Pennsylvania, acting as the Local Authorities per the Mental health and Mental Retardation Act of 1966, held on June 13, 2011, at which a quorum was present and of which notice was duly given pursuant to law; that the said Resolution was duly recorded among the official minutes of the said Board of Commissioners of the Juniata Valley Tri-County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Program and that the same have not been altered, amended or rescinded but remains in full force and effect.

RESOLUTION

*WHEREAS, the Counties of HUNTINGDON, MIFFLIN and JUNIATA, Pennsylvania, have heretofore entered into a Joinder Agreement and established the **Juniata Valley Tri-County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Program (MH/MR Program)** for the provision of Mental Health and Mental Retardation services in Huntingdon, Juniata and Mifflin Counties in accordance with the Mental Health and Mental Retardation Act of 1966, 50 P.S. §4101 et seq.;*

WHEREAS, the original agreement between the Counties was amended and revised by an "Amended and Revised Juniata Valley Tri-County Agreement for Mental Health and Mental Retardation", dated December 3, 2001 (the "Amended Agreement");

WHEREAS, the Amended Agreement between the said Counties establishes the proportionate costs of the Counties in establishing and maintaining the MH/MR Program;

WHEREAS, the percentage of costs borne by each County is subject to automatic change in accord with the Decennial United States Census as of the first day of July next following the official publication and release of the census; and

WHEREAS, accordingly, the proportionate costs of establishing and maintaining the program are to change as of July 1, 2011, to reflect the Decennial United States Census of 2010.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, AND IT IS HEREBY RESOLVED BY THE COUNTIES OF HUNTINGDON, MIFFLIN and JUNIATA, that it is acknowledged that the Agreement between the Counties is amended to reflect the following automatic change, amendment and revision to paragraph 10 (a) of the Agreement, to wit:

"10 a. The proportionate costs of establishing and maintaining the program shall be borne as follows:

Mifflin County 39.8205%
Huntingdon County 39.1646%
Juniata County 21.0149%”

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Commissioners of Mifflin, Juniata and Huntingdon Counties, be authorized to execute an Amendment to said Amended Agreement duly reflecting a memorializing the same and otherwise be authorized to take any appropriate actions to effectuate the intent of this Resolution; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a certified copy of this Resolution be incorporated into the minutes of the respective Counties.

ADOPTED AS A RESOLUTION this 13th day of June, 2011, at a public meeting of the Board of Commissioners of the Juniata Valley Tri-County Mental Health and Mental Retardation Program, at which a quorum was present and of which public notice was duly given pursuant to law.

Motion was made by Commissioner Reck to approve the amendment agreement between Huntingdon, Juniata and Mifflin Counties as noted above. Seconded by Commissioner Riden. Motion carried.

K. Bill Gomes – Announcement – Community Survey:

Planning Dir. Bill Gomes as an explanation, announced that every ten years the Comprehensive Plan is to be updated. We are a little late because we waited for the census to come out. The first part of the process is to do a community survey. This survey will go out to 2,500 residents of Mifflin County which will be distributed in the next few days. This will allow citizens to provide input into the process. The last time we did a survey like this was 1998. It also allows citizens to identify problems within the County and what activities they would like to see the County focus on in the next five to ten years. We hope for a good response. There is a random program through Excel that is tied to the per capita list for random selection.

Anthony Geno asked if there will be an opportunity for persons to input other than those included in the survey.

Mr. Gomes said there will be a public meeting after the survey is completed. In 1998 there was a 42% response rate.

Larry Clark additionally commented that there is a town hall meeting tonight. In the past, any of the meetings that he attended, there were no elected officials. Will any of you be there tonight?

The Commissioners said they could not attend tonight because of prior commitments.

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

The meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

Secretary

ATTEST:

Chief Clerk