

Lewistown, PA

March 17, 2016

The Board of Mifflin County Commissioners met for their Regular Meeting on Thursday, March 17, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. In attendance were Commissioners Lisa Nancollas, Stephen Dunkle and Kevin P. Kodish; Chief Clerk Cathy Romig, Solicitor Stephen Snook and Confidential Clerk George Welsh.

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

Guests present were Treasurer Debra Civitts; Community Development Administrator James Lettiere; District Attorney Christopher Torquato; Co. Auditor Helen Kirk; Co. Auditor Teresa Hobbs; Neil Knable; Michelle Knable; Joanne Tate; Lucas Parkes, EADS and Cole Kanagy and Erica Bonson, Mifflin County High School.

The meeting was called to order at 9:05 a.m. by Chairman Nancollas.

- I. The Invocation was given by Neil Knable.
- II. The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.

III. Approval of Minutes:

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to accept the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 03, 2016. Commissioner Dunkle seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

IV. Approval of Bills:

1. General Fund, Accounts Payable:

Cks. #108743 to 108933 and EFTs #21467 to 21545 in the amount of \$421,871.08

2. Payroll Account: Cks.#76995 to 77013 and Direct Deposit Advices #6453 to 6660 in the amount of \$295,906.80

3. 911 Account:

Cks. #51187 to 51193 and EFTs #20198-20203 - \$15,561.23

4. LEPC Account:

Cks. #1314 to 1316 in the amount of \$284.21

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve payment of bills as listed above. Seconded by Commissioner Dunkle. The motion was unanimously approved.

V. Treasurer's Report: 03/02/2016 to 03/15/2016

General Account Starting Balance	\$ 3,043,624.25
Deposits – Receipts #80587-80779	808,393.46
Transfer from Capital Reserve	211,546.68
Total Debits	\$ 1,019,940.14
Bills Paid – Cks. #108743-108933	
EFTs #21467-21545	\$ 421,871.08
Transfer to Payroll – Cks. #76995-77013	
DD #6453-6660	295,906.80
NSF CK	25.00
Total Credits	\$ 717,802.88
Ending Balance – Interest @ 0.580%	\$ 3,345,761.51

<i>Liquid Fuels</i>	<i>0.580% @ JVB</i>	<i>466,685.78</i>
<i>Liquid Fuels – Act 89</i>	<i>0.1% @ JVB</i>	<i>151,953.78</i>
<i>911 Telephone Account</i>	<i>0.580% @ JV</i>	<i>422,413.55</i>
<i>911 Wireless Telephone Account</i>	<i>0.1% @ JVB</i>	<i>152,003.51</i>
<i>Capital Reserve Account</i>	<i>0.60% @ JVB</i>	
	<i>General Account Funds</i>	
	<i>Total Capital Reserve</i>	<i>\$ 25.00</i>

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunkle to accept the Treasurer’s Report as received, subject to audit. Seconded by Commissioner Kodish. The motion was unanimously approved.

VI. Meetings and Events:

Chairman Nancollas:

LEPC Fund: There was a board reorganization.

Natural Gas Meeting: All three Commissioners attended. Updates to the changes to the contracts of our regional gas utilization.

Youth Park Board Annual Dinner and Meeting: Ms. Kirk: In previous years, the Commissioners always let the Park Board pay for their meal. This year, Ms. Nancollas refused to let the Park Board pay for her meal.

Centre County Prison: All three Commissioner attended and got a tour of the facility, and tour of the medical facility. We are making changes to the jail healthcare procedures and protocols.

Lewistown Learning Center Meeting: Steve and I attended this meeting with ideas for providing additional educational opportunities for Mifflin County residents.

The Extension Farm Bureau Rally: Kevin and I attended in Harrisburg with the local farmers and our school children. We also visited Governor Wolf’s office and asked him to release the funds for farming.

JVBDS Joinder Board Meeting: The Advocacy Alliance will be receiving \$25,000.00 extra from the County to provide better access to mental healthcare across Mifflin, Huntingdon and Juniata Counties.

JVBDS Executive Board Committee: Parents advisory board.

Our local website will be updated with the Juniata Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. We will list their services and the contact information.

I want to thank our two cameramen/women, Cole Kanagy and Erica Bonson. They are here filming this and you can rewatch this MCTVOnline.org.

Commissioner Dunkle:

Airport Authority Meeting: There were four issues on the agenda. The first was the issue of the Obstruction Ridge light. There has been a light on Stone Mountain for a number of years. That light was really to make sure incoming and outgoing planes needed to know that ridge was there and wouldn’t crash into it. That light has been out of order for about two years. There was some thought from some individuals that that light did not need to be replaced. The FAA made a determination that it had to be replaced. The Authority has been working with the FAA and the Bureau of Aviation at the State level to make certain that the light is reinstalled and functional. It will be done yet this spring with a cost of the project to be \$200,000.00. That money will come from

FAA funds. Second issue was sealing and fixing cracks in the runway. Third, the glider contest which is an annual event will be held May 21st thru May 28th. It is a regional event with 35 to 45 gliders and they are taking registrations for the event. Fourth is snow removal equipment. The piece of equipment will plow 16 feet with an independent snow blower attachment with a price of between \$275,000.00 and \$300,000.00 paid for by FAA funds.

Mifflin County Soil Conservation District: An update on the Chesapeake Bay program. Pennsylvania is behind the other states and this will be an ongoing project for the next several years. There was a report on dirt gravel on low volume roads within the County. Specifically four dirt and gravel roads with three of them discussed for improvements this year. Rain barrel workshops were discussed. Manure and woodland management workshops in the near future. Finally, every year the Conservation District has a sale of trees and shrubs with order forms now being available

Lewistown Learning Center Meeting: Penn State is pulling out of Lewistown after the first semester next year. 14 people attended. South Hills Business School would like to expand in this area. A history of the previous Community College efforts was given. Will Penn State take the credits to transfer from our Community College.

Commissioner Kodish:

Department Head Meeting – All three Commissioners attended.

Board of Elections – All three Commissioners attended. Casting of lots for ballot positions.

Retirement Board – All three Commissioners attended.

PIMCC Board: Dealing with medical cost containment in prisons, trying to cut costs there.

Mifflin-Juniata Special Needs Lip Sync Competition: I was happy to be a judge for this competition.

JVBDS Joinder Board – All three Commissioners attended.

Regional Services Corporation Personnel Committee

CSBG Board

Penn State Ag Extension Harrisburg Trip: Lisa and I attended. It is necessary to get funding released so people do not lose their jobs. We had lunch with Benninghoff to discuss the state budget.

Centre County Prison Tour – All three Commissioners attended.

Area Agency on Aging Board

SEDA-COG Natural Gas Cooperative Meeting

Solid Waste Authority Board: Solid waste does not have the landfill anymore, but do have the transfer station with the tonnage being up for last year.

Downtown Lewistown Incorporated Board

Education & Government TV Channel Committee: Further evolution of the initiative and other projects.

VII. Old Business: None.

VIII. New Business:

A. Request for exoneration of the 2016 county portion per capita taxes:

- *Armagh Township Tax Collector Linda Marks – 15*
- *Union Township Tax Collector Jay Yoder – 10*
- *Juniata Terrace Tax Collector Jeri Dukes – 3*

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunkle to approve the Request of the county portion per capita taxes. Seconded by Commissioner Kodish. The motion unanimously approved.

B. Request for exoneration of 2015 delinquent county real estate tax bill and relieve Tax Claim Director Harry Clever from collecting this tax:

- *Parcel No. 17A,00-642 – parcel was approved exempt from the Department of Veteran's Affairs*

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunkle to approve the Request for exoneration of 2015 delinquent taxes for Parcel No. 17A,00-642. Seconded by Commissioner Kodish. The motion was unanimously approved.

C. Offer for parcel 05 ,04-0521--,000 located in Lewistown Borough that is currently in repository for unsold properties – Troy Speece, Sr., \$100.00 plus additional costs

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to reject the offer for parcel 05 ,04-0521--,000. Motion was Seconded by Commissioner Dunkle. The motion was unanimously approved.

D. Offer for parcel 09 ,03-0302--,000 located in Kistler Borough that is currently in repository for unsold properties – Troy Speece, Sr. - \$50.00 plus costs

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunkle to accept the Offer for parcel 09 ,03-0302--,000. Seconded by Commissioner Kodish. The motion was unanimously approved.

E. Reappoint Carl L. McCombie, Lewistown, PA, to another five year term on the Mifflin County Hospital Authority – term expires December 31, 2020

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunkle to approve the reappointment of Carl L. McCombie. Seconded by Commissioner Kodish. The motion was unanimously approved.

F. Appointment of Paul Grego, Juniata Valley Bank, to fill an unexpired term on the Mifflin County Hospital Authority - term expires December 31, 2019

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve the appointment of Paul Grego. Seconded by Commissioner Dunkle. The motion was unanimously approved.

G. 2016 Liquid Fuels Budget and Distribution

Ms. Romig: We are able to give the municipalities \$62,430.67, last year it was \$75,000.00. We have two major bridge repairs that need done this year and it will cost an estimated \$455,000.00 for the repairs

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve the 2016 Liquid Fuels Budget and Distribution. Seconded by Commissioner Dunkle. The motion was unanimously approved.

H. Resignation of Tiffany Miller from Eligibility Clerk in the Children and Youth Office effective March 28, 2016

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to accept the resignation of Tiffany Miller. Seconded by Commissioner Dunkle. The motion was unanimously approved.

- I. *Resignation of Michael Short from the part time Corrections Officer effective March 11, 2016*

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunkle to accept the resignation of Michael Short. Seconded by Commissioner Kodish. The motion was unanimously approved.

Recess Regular Meeting

Public Hearing for the 2014 CDBG Budget Modification

Reconvene Regular Meeting

- J. *Resolution No. 23 of 2016 modifying the 2014 CDBG budget*

RESOLUTION NUMBER 23 of 2016

RESOLUTION OF THE MIFFLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS APPROVING A PROGRAM MODIFICATION TO THE 2014 CDBG PROGRAM

WHEREAS, the Mifflin County Board of Commissioners has decided to provide additional funding to the already approved Construction of Housing – SedaCog Housing Development Corporation, Mann Edge Terrace Phase II project for property acquisition. Additionally the commissioners desire to create and fund the McVeytown Borough Authority sewer project and to create and fund the Mifflin County Housing Rehabilitation program – residential, single family (countywide).

WHEREAS, since the Street Improvements Armagh Township – Oak Street project was determined ineligible based on an income survey conducted in the area, the County Commissioners has decided to delete this project and its funding in its entirety. The County of Mifflin will also be deleting the Public Service – Mifflin/Juniata Dental Clinic (3rd year of fair share equipment purchase) based on a letter dated February 3, 2016 from The Primary Health Network requesting to forfeit the remaining funds awarded to the Mifflin/Juniata Dental Clinic now known as the Lewistown Dental Clinic.

WHEREAS, it is the requirement of the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) to modify the County's 2014 fiscal funding year budget so as to complete the following actions:

1. Decrease and delete the ineligible 2014 Street Improvements project Armagh Township – Oak Street in the amount of \$67,500.01.
2. Decrease and delete the 2014 approved Public Service project Mifflin/Juniata Dental Clinic (3rd year fair share equipment purchase) now known as Lewistown Dental Clinic in the amount of \$11,933.45.

3. Add additional funding to the approved Construction of Housing project – Seda-Cog Housing Development Corporation (Mann Edge Terrace Phase II) for property acquisition in the amount of \$6,726 to total \$107,941.00.
4. Create and fund the Water/Sewer Facilities – McVeytown Borough Authority sewer project in the amount of \$55,392.00.
5. Create and fund the Housing Rehabilitation; Residential Single-Unit (Countywide) project in the amount of \$17,315.46.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, by the Mifflin County Board of Commissioners as follows:

1. That the program modification affecting the 2014 CDBG program budget is approved.
2. That the Mifflin County Planning and Development Department is authorized to complete and submit said modification to DCED for review and approval.

I hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at a public meeting of the Mifflin County Board of Commissioners held on Thursday, March 17, 2016.

Motion was made by Commissioner Dunkle to approve Resolution No. 23 of 2016. Seconded by Commissioner Kodish. The motion was unanimously approved.

IX. Public Comment:

None.

X. Adjournment

With no other business on the agenda, Chairman Nancollas adjourned the meeting at 9:36 a.m.

Secretary

ATTEST:

Chief Clerk