

**COMMISSIONERS GENERAL SESSION**  
**April 28, 2014**

**Present at the meeting were  
Commissioners:**

Brenda K. Benner-Chairman  
Stephen C. Naylor-Vice-Chairman  
Paul L. Rudy Jr.- Secretary  
Kathy Burkholder-Chief Clerk  
William R. Bunt- Solicitor

**Present from the Press:** Sean Sauro, Perry County Times

**Present from the Public:** Allen Metzger, Dave Magee, Edward Albright, Larry Reisinger, Walter Campbell, Todd Stephens, Bill McHenry, Jason Finnerty, Joseph Alex Martin, Karen Sunday, Julia Mallory, James Lucas, Barb Gher, Miike Gher, Arthur Rose, Virginia Self, Silvia Herman, Shelley Dreyer-Aurila, Debra Rayson, Sue Dunkleberger, Harva Owings Baughman, Dennis Kent, Randy Waggoner, Michelle Thebes, Deb Shrawder, Kristine Adkins

Commissioner Benner opened the meeting at 10:00 AM on April 28, 2014 with the Pledge to the Flag and a moment of silence.

**Public Comment:** Silvia Herman, MH-IDD attended the meeting to make the public aware of May as being Mental Health Awareness Month. Also attending the meeting were community members that wanted to personally thank the Commissioners for their support. Joseph Martin, Chairperson of the Cumberland/Perry Support Program presented books and videos to Virginia Self, New Bloomfield Library for their resource center. Also, shirts were presented to the Commissioners to kick off their Mental Health Activities with a walk to promote awareness of mental health with over 160 participants registered on May 1<sup>st</sup>. A community concert and picnic will be held on May 31<sup>st</sup> at Little Buffalo State Park beginning at 11:00 a.m. This event is free and open to the public.

Commissioner Rudy made a motion to approve the minutes of April 21, 2014. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Naylor made a motion to approve the warrant list for April 28, 2014 in the amount of \$383,023.67. Commissioner Rudy seconded the motion. Motion carried. Commissioner Naylor asked if the Auditors' solicitor's bill which was pulled from the warrant list at the last meeting, being paid because it wasn't on the current warrant list? Commissioner Benner commented "yes, it will be paid."

A Recognition was presented to Susan Dunkleberger for her 24 years as a public servant to the County in the Treasurer's Office. Commissioner Naylor, Commissioner Benner and Commissioner Rudy commended Sue for filling in as Acting Treasurer when the office was vacant and thanked her for her professionalism and positive attitude throughout her years of service.

Commissioner Naylor made a motion to approve an Agreement to Authorize Electronic Access to PennDot systems with Tri-County Planning acting as the point of contact for the county. This will allow Jason Finnerty, County Planner access to submit electronically and have access to occupancy permits, engineering plans, designs and other documents. Commissioner Rudy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Shelley Dreyer Aurila, Family Center, asked for approval of the Family Center Grant for 2014-2017 in the amount of \$409,968.00 to provide in-home and office visits on child development, developmental screening and offer a loaner program for child passenger safety seats, lending library with books, toys, videos and educational resource materials for parents and children from infants to kindergarten. Commissioner Rudy made a motion to approve the Family Center Grant. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rudy made a motion to approve the Novation Agreement with the YWCA of Greater Harrisburg and the County for the Victim Witness Program. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Based on the recommendation of the Cumberland/Perry MH-IDD Board, Commissioner Naylor made a motion to approve the contract for Central PA Supportive Services Inc. in the amount of \$90,000 for mental health services. Commissioner Rudy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A Proclamation for "Motorcycle Safety and Awareness Month" was presented to Mike Gher, President of Perry County Ridge Runners, Chapter 58 Abate of PA. During the month of May, the Alliance of Bikers Aimed Toward Education of Pennsylvania will continue its advocacy of motorcycle safety and awareness by placing 25,000 signs in high-visibility areas. That will read "Look Twice-Save A Life-Watch for Motorcycles"

**Employee Status:** None

**Solicitors Report-** The County received notification of a tax claim case in which a property owner did not open his mail regarding the sale of his property for unpaid taxes on a hunting property. This will be going through the Commonwealth Court.

**Public Comments:** Comments from the public were made regarding auditing of the Sheriffs Permits to carry firearms. Ed Albright asked if there was any updates regarding the Auditors and the Sheriff. Commissioner Benner noted there was a meeting with the three auditors on Thursday, April 24<sup>th</sup>, at which time they were notified that until the Auditors perform the audit of the records of the Sheriff and a financial discrepancy is found they will not pay additional funding beyond the \$2,000 legal fees agreed upon. Ed asked if there was any way the Auditors could come to a public meeting and address questions asked of residents.

If this matter is not resolved it will then go to the Appellate Court. The Sheriff will also need outside counsel at that point.

Larry Reisinger does not feel taxpayers should not be responsible for footing this bill. The Auditors job is to perform a financial audit only and does not need to have access to the names of applicants for permits.

Commissioner Naylor made a motion to adjourn at 10:45 a.m. Commissioner Rudy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

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Kathy Burkholder, Chief Clerk

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Paul Rudy Jr., Secretary