

COMMISSIONERS GENERAL SESSION
August 18, 2014

**Present at the meeting were
Commissioners:**

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

Present from the Press: Sean Sauro, Perry County Times

Present from the Public: Donna Ellenberger, Dave Magee, Allen Metzger, Jim Lucas, Gwen Rumberger, Jack Hess, Paul Britcher, Dave Swartz, Todd Brajkovich, Stacey Nybeck, Larry Reisinger, Ayla Miller, Krista Pontius, Lori Amey, Karen Dobbs, Karen French, Kristie Gnatt, Julie Martzell, Megan Radel, Tracey Paris, Linda Hefenfinger, John Hefenfinger, Jason Finnerty

Commissioner Benner opened the meeting at 10:00 AM on August 18, 2014 with the Pledge to the Flag and a moment of silence. The meeting was held at the Perry County Fairgrounds.

Public Comment: None.

Commissioner Rudy made a motion to approve the minutes of August 11, 2014. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Naylor made a motion to approve the warrant list for a total of \$138,924.41 for the week of August 18, 2014. Commissioner Rudy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

A Recognition of Service was presented to Karen Dobbs, Children and Youth fiscal director for forty years of service to the county.

Commissioner Rudy made a motion to approve signing the Perry County Intermediate Punishment Program that was approved by the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency in the amount of \$50,337.00. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Rudy made a motion to approve the Medical Assistance Transportation Program (MATP) Grant Agreement for 2014-2015 in the amount of \$406,700. This allows PCTA transportation funding for non-emergency medical transportation services for Medical Assistance recipients in need of service. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Naylor made a motion to amend the 2012 CDBG Subrecipient Agreement between the County and Blain Borough. The amendment is necessary to extend the termination to September 1, 2014. The amount of the agreement is for \$21,000 for potable water system improvements and the date is extended from June 30, 2014. Commissioner Rudy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Naylor made a motion to approve the Preventative Maintenance Program with CILS Incorporated for the washers and dryers at the Perry County Prison, effective August 18, 2014 through July 31, 2015. Commissioner Rudy seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Todd Brajkovich, Soil Conservation Director, gave an update on conservation highlights for 2014. Their main goal is to provide technical assistance to the agriculture industry of Perry County. Livestock, soil erosion control, manure management and Ag Land Preservation are some of the programs that are funded through grants. Their five year outreach is to visit every farm in the county and is currently in its third year and approximate 460 farms have been visited to date. 55 farms have been preserved for 7,951 acres in the farmland preservation program. There are currently 4 no till grain drills available for farmers to rent to prevent soil erosion through the county office. Dirt and Gravel road funding has increased to \$250,000, to help townships improve their roads.

The Conservation District recommended to their board to have the stream on the Harry Stambaugh farm be named the Stambaugh Farm Run on the U.S. Board on Geographic Names.

Dave Swartz, Penn State Co-operative Extension, presented a handout that tied in to the County Fair on what Perry County Farmers send to market on a daily basis throughout the year:

63,000 gallons of milk, 11,000 meat chickens, 4,000 turkeys, 390,000 eggs, 340 pigs, 1.5 acres of vegetables and fruits. Dave thanked the fair board for allowing the 4-H and FFA students a place for showing their animals and bringing projects for display.

Employee Status: Commissioner Rudy made a motion to approve the hiring of Patricia Santaserio, case administrator, D.R.O., effective September 2, 2014. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Solicitors Report- Nothing that required action.

Public Comments: Commissioner Benner acknowledged FFA teachers Ayla Miller and Krista Pontius for their dedication and outstanding achievements regarding Greenwood and West Perry students.

Darwin Kitner welcomed everyone to the fair. Paul Britcher, President, Larry Reisinger, Treasurer, and Jack Hess, Barn Area were introduced. He thanked all the volunteers that make the fair a success.

Jason Finnerty presented the board with a schedule for meeting dates for the Taskforce focus Group Meetings for the Perry County Comprehensive Plan Update.

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

Kathy Burkholder, Chief Clerk

Paul Rudy Jr., Secretary