

COMMISSIONERS GENERAL SESSION
September 26, 2011

**Present at the meeting were
Commissioners:**

Brenda K. Benner-Chairman
Stephen C. Naylor – Vice-Chairman
John J. Amsler- Secretary
William R. Bunt-Solicitor
Kathy Burkholder-Chief Clerk

Present from the Press: Luke Roman, Perry County Times

Present from the Public: Paul Rudy, Dave McCluskey, Frank Penn, Harry Overholtzer

Commissioner Benner opened the meeting at 10:00 AM on September 26, 2011 with the Pledge to the Flag and a moment of silence.

Public Comments: None.

Commissioner Amsler made a motion to approve the minutes of September 19, 2011. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Naylor made a motion to sign the warrant list in the amount of \$281,669.45 for the week of September 26, 2011. Commissioner Amsler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Commissioner Naylor made a motion to sign a Proclamation designating October as World Blindness Month in Perry County. Commissioner Amsler seconded the motion. Motion carried. Mr. David McCluskey, District Governor, represented the Lions Club, attended the meeting to accept the Proclamation.

Recognition for service was presented to Frank Penn, thanking him for his hard work and dedication in working with the Perry County Food Bank from November 8, 2004 through September 30, 2011.

Based on the recommendation of Gary Eby, PCTA Director, Commissioner Naylor made a motion to sign the Medical Assistance Transportation Program Participation Agreement and Assurance of Compliance. This Agreement assures that non-emergency medical transportation services are provided to eligible Medical Assistance recipients in need of such service. Because of the cut in State funding out of county trips will be done three times a week instead of five in the past. Dialysis and in county doctor visits will remain on a five day a week schedule. Commissioner Amsler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Based on the recommendation of H2 Engineers, Commissioner Amsler made a motion to approve John D. Angelo for the amount of \$6,295, as the second appraiser to perform the appraisals in accordance with the “bid scope” and PennDOT’s Right of Way Manual. Commissioner Benner seconded the motion. Commissioner Naylor abstained. Motion carried. This for the SR0274-17 Widening Project at the Business Campus.

Solicitor Bunt asked the Board to go into Executive Session to discuss employee status.

Employee Status:

Commissioner Naylor made a motion to abolish the position of Secretary in the three M.D.J. offices and create the position of Office Manager. Commissioner Amsler seconded the motion. Motion carried. This is a Grade 7 position.

Commissioner Naylor made a motion to create the position of Clerk in the M.D.J. office in Duncannon and is classified as a Grade 6. Commissioner Amsler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Based on the recommendation of Daniel McGuire, Magisterial District Judge, Commissioner Naylor made the motion to promote Nicole Witmer to the position of Office Manager, effective September 26, 2011. Commissioner Amsler seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Solicitors Report: Solicitor Bunt informed the Board of a lawsuit regarding Michael Siluk, Jr. against Catherine Merwin, Director of the Perry County Domestic Relations Office involving support and overpayment. Mr. Siluk feels the county owes him \$1,317.87 plus costs and interest.

Public Comments: Questions were asked and answered for the public.

Open Forum for the Press: Questions were asked and answered.

Commissioner Amsler made a motion to adjourn. Commissioner Naylor seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:25 A.M.

Kathy Burkholder, Chief Clerk

John J. Amsler – Secretary