

February 5, 2008

McKean County Commissioners in special session assembled on Tuesday, February 5, 2008 at 10:00 AM in the Commissioners meeting room, 500 West Main Street, Smethport, Pa. Present were Commissioners Joseph DeMott, Al Pingie, and Judy Church, Chief Clerk, Audrey Irons. Also present were Dan Hartle and George Petrisek.

The meeting was called to order by Mr. DeMott, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and a moment of silence.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to approve the minutes of the January 22, 2008 meeting.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Mr. DeMott – Opened the meeting for public comment.

No public comment.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to approve payment of the following invoices:

1. Northwest Engineering, Inc. - \$2,470.45 – representing payment for professional services rendered for the Galico Bridge Replacement Project – Liquid Fuel Fund.
2. Area Transportation Authority - \$110,562.00 – representing the fourth quarter actual payment for the Medical Assistance Transportation Program they administer for the county – Grants Public Welfare Fund.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to adopt the following resolution.

RESOLUTION 7 OF 2008

ESTABLISHMENT OF REAL ESTATE AND PER CAPITA TAX RATES FOR THE YEAR 2008 AND ADOPTION OF THE BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2008

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners is required to establish tax rates for real estate and per capita taxes to be levied in the year 2008; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners is authorized and required under the law of Pennsylvania to prepare, approve and adopt a budget for the upcoming year.

NOW THEREFORE, this 5th day of February, 2008, the Board of Commissioners of McKean County hereby **RESOLVES** and enacts as follows:

1. That a tax levy for the year 2008 shall be made at the rate of 6.75 mills on every dollar of assessed valuation of real estate as adjusted.
2. That a per capita tax on all persons subject to taxation for county purposes for fiscal year 2008 is established at the rate of five dollars (\$5.00).
3. That with the above tax schedule as described, the budget for the year 2008 for McKean County is hereby adopted.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to enter into a Letter of Understanding with Forest County and Warren County Human Services Department for the placement of a Warren County resident into a community residential rehabilitation facility in McKean County.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

George Petrisek –This whole agreement is just for one person?

Mr. DeMott – Yes, and apparently we have a facility here in McKean County that could take this person, so it is a cooperative agreement between the counties and Dan Wertz, the solicitor for our Human Services Department has reviewed the contract.

Mr. Hartle – I also reviewed the contract.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to enter into an agreement with Express Scripts for the McKean County employee's prescription coverage.

Mr. DeMott – This is a fairly standard contract and Dan reviewed it for us.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yes. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to allocate \$125,000.00 of the County's Liquid Fuel monies to the 22 municipalities for the year 2008 based on population and mileage figures.

Mr. DeMott – Asked if the amount of the allocation was the same as last year.

Mrs. Irons – The total allocation was the same – the amount each municipality receives changed a little because Eldred Township and Lafayette Township had an increase in road mileage.

Mrs. Church – The money that Keating Township gets – does that money go toward the bridge payment for the Galico Bridge or does their own liquid fuel money go toward the bridge payment?

Mrs. Irons – The payment for the Galico Bridge comes out of the county's liquid fuel monies as the bridge is owned by the county. Each municipality has to apply for the money as to what they are going to use it for. All we are doing today is allocating the money and then each municipality has to come up with a project and submit it to the Commissioners for approval and then we send it to PennDot for their approval.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to appoint Mike Holtz to the McKean County Solid Waste Authority to complete the unexpired term of James Salvamoser whose term will expire on December 31, 2012.

Mr. DeMott – Mentioned that the Commissioners had intended to appoint Bob Cummins to the authority as well, but we haven't received a response back from Bob as to whether he wants to serve on the authority.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to appoint Richard Kallenborn to the McKean County Planning Commission for a four year term.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to appoint Duane Wolfe to the McKean County Planning Commission to complete the unexpired term of Greg Bell whose term will expire on April 16, 2011.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Mr. DeMott – Mentioned that there is still a vacancy on the McKean County Planning Commission for someone from the Bradford Township area.

Mr. DeMott – Opened the meeting for public comment.

Mr. Petrisek – Who is Duane Wolfe:

Mr. DeMott – He is the Director of the CYS department.

Mr. Petrisek – Wasn't James Salvamoser originally appointed to replace Mike Holtz on the McKean County Solid Waste Authority?

Mr. DeMott – Yes and Mr. Salvamoser has a health problem and has chosen not to serve, so he turned in his resignation.

Mr. Petrisek – Will there will be a prison board meeting this afternoon?

Mr. DeMott – Yes.

Mrs. Irons – It is at 2:00 PM today.

Mr. Pingie – Asked about the status of the Zito Media contract?

Mr. Hartle – Ray McMahon has received the Agreement of Understanding and has some questions about it. They have asked for responses from the lending institutions and I think they have received 4 offers. We should be hearing from Ray today.

Moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church, to adjourn the meeting.

Vote on the above resolution, DeMott – yes. Pingie – yes. Church – yes. Three – yeas. No – nays. Carried.

Chief Clerk