

May 10, 2011

McKean County Commissioners in regular session assembled on Tuesday, May 10, 2011 at 10:00 AM in the Commissioners meeting room. Present were Commissioners Joseph DeMott, Al Pingie, and Judy Church, Chief Clerk, Audrey Irons and County Solicitor, Dan Hartle. Also present were Martha Knight, Ted Lutz, Marty Moses, Sandy Thompson, Judy Ordiway, and Fran DeLancey.

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 April 26, 2011 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.

Mr. DeMott – Mentioned that the bonds were sold yesterday through PNC Bank to refinance the county's debt as outlined in the ordinance that was adopted at a previous Commissioner's meeting – the savings to the county by refinancing the bond will be \$100,400.00.

**WHEREAS**, it is now the time and place as advertised for opening bids for Voice & Data Services for the county buildings, and

**WHEREAS** the following bid was received:

1. Zito Media Communications, 611 Vader Hill Road, Coudersport, Pa. 16915  
\$ 7,449.00 a month for 60 months plus installation fee of \$7,500.00. Bid bond in the amount of \$45,440.00 was included with the bid.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that the McKean County Commissioners accept the bid from Zito Media Communications subject to review and approval by the Informational Technology (IT) Department and the county's solicitor.

The above resolution was moved by Mr. Pingie, seconded by Mrs. Church.

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 approve payment to the YWCA in the amount of \$3,668.00 representing the May payment for the Homeless Assistance

Program they administer for the county. This money is to be taken from 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 approve a real estate tax exemption for Lakeshore Community Services, Inc. for property they own located at 427 Smithfield Avenue, Kane, Pa. effective for the year 2011.

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 issue real estate tax refunds to the following individuals for the year 2011.

1. Marsha Flickinger - \$60.24 – assessment was adjusted per a formal appeal.
2. Erik & Tiffany Taylor - \$86.12 – assessment was adjusted per a formal appeal.
3. James & Selene Machuga - \$98.87 – two parcels were combined into one assessment which lowered their assessment.

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 accept the following bids for the stream bank stabilization projects.

Property Owner	Contractor	Bid Amount
Yohe	Solvenson Contracting	\$11,720.00
Brown	Solvenson Contracting	\$ 3,295.00
Ross	Solvesson Contracting	\$ 3,965.00
Godding	Solvesson Contracting	\$ 3,445.00
Williams	Emporium Contracting	\$ 3,105.58
Baldwin	Emporium Contracting	\$ 4,605.70
Copeland	Solvesson Contracting	\$ 2,369.00
O'Leary	Solvesson Contracting	\$ 8,450.00
Total		\$40,955.28

Sandy Thompson – Mentioned that the funding for the projects will come from the fish and boat grant or from DEP.

Mr. DeMott – Asked if the bid amounts came in at what they estimated for the projects?

Ms. Thompson – Yes.

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 NO. 8 OF 2011

ON THE NEED FOR AN EDUCATION CENTER AT THE  
VIETNAM VETERANS MEMORIAL

**WHEREAS**, the Vietnam Veterans Memorial, also known as The Wall, is the most visited memorial in our nation's capital; and

**WHEREAS**, engraved upon The Wall are the names of 58,267 heroes – including 3146 from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania – who valiantly gave their lives in service to our country during the Vietnam War; and

**WHEREAS**, the dedication of The Wall nearly 30 years ago began the process of remembrance, healing and honoring those who served and died in the longest war in US history; and

**WHEREAS**, both houses of the US Congress have unanimously authorized the building of a new underground Education Center across from The Wall; and

**WHEREAS**, the Education Center at The Wall will tell the stories behind the names on The Wall and draw attention to the sacrifices made by those who defend our freedom; and

**WHEREAS**, the Education Center will display the legacies of 58,267 casualties memorialized on The Wall including uploaded photographs on a Virtual Wall, images of others who served in Vietnam and in other wars, an artifacts collection of more than 100,000 items left at The Wall, as well as related educational materials onsite and online; and

**WHEREAS**, the Education Center will share and celebrate core values of duty, loyalty, respect, service, honor, courage and integrity; and

**WHEREAS**, the stories and values that will be showcased at the Education Center must be preserved and shared with future generations;

**THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** that McKean County believes that the Education Center will be a valuable adjunct to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial that gives life and meaning to the names on The Wall for visitors from across the nation and around the world; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that McKean County strongly endorses the goals of the Education Center at The Wall and supports this worthy project to commemorate the sacrifices of those who serve, those who fall and those who wait for them at home; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that McKean County supports the memory of those who served and fell and to that end encourages the families and friends fallen to upload photographs for the Education Center Virtual Wall.

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

Martha Knight – Was this resolution just for public support from county government?

Mr. DeMott – Yes.

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

**RESOLUTION No. 9 of 2011**

**2008 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT  
PROGRAM REVISION**

WHEREAS, on April 24, 2008, the McKean County Commissioners allocated \$41,923 of the 2008 McKean County Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) program funding to the Eldred Borough Basketball Court/Skate Park Project, and

WHEREAS, this project is not ready to be undertaken yet and the CDBG Program requires that the funding be expended in a timely manner, and

WHEREAS, it is advisable that this project be exchanged with a 2010 CDBG project that is ready to be undertaken to insure that the 2008 CDBG funds are expended in a timely manner, and

WHEREAS, this Revision of the 2008 CDBG Program will reduce the \$41,923 allocated to the Eldred Borough Basketball Court/Skate Park Project to zero (0) with the understanding that this project will be funded with 2010 CDBG funds, and

WHEREAS, this Revision of the 2008 CDBG Program will reallocate the \$41,923 to assist with funding the 2010 CDBG Sergeant Township Clermont VFD Rescue Truck Chassis & Bed Upgrade Project, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the McKean County Commissioners to approve this revision of the 2008 McKean County CDBG Program, reallocating the \$41,923 of Eldred Borough Basketball Court/Skate Park Project funding to assist with the 2010 Sergeant Township Clermont VFD Rescue Truck Chassis and Bed Upgrade Project.

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 No. 10 of 2011**

#### **2010 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM REVISION**

WHEREAS, in May of 2010, the McKean County Commissioners allocated \$55,257 of the 2010 McKean County Community Development Block Grant Program (CDBG) program funding to the Sergeant Township Clermont VFD Rescue Truck Chassis/Bed Upgrade Project, and

WHEREAS, the Sergeant Township Clermont VFD Rescue Truck Chassis/Bed Upgrade Project is ready to be undertaken, and

WHEREAS, in the 2008 CDBG Program, the \$41,923 Eldred Borough Basketball Court/Skate Park Project is not ready to be undertaken yet and the CDBG Program requires that the funding be expended in a timely manner, and

WHEREAS, it is advisable that \$41,923 of the 2010 Sergeant Township Rescue Truck Chassis/Bed Upgrade Project be exchanged with the 2008 Eldred Basketball Court/Skate Park Project to insure that the 2008 funds are expended in a timely manner, and

WHEREAS, this Revision of the 2010 CDBG Program will reduce the \$55,257 Sergeant Township Clermont VFD Rescue Truck Chassis/Bed Upgrade Project to \$13,334 with the understanding that \$41,923 of this project will be funded with the 2008 CDBG funds, and

WHEREAS, this Revision of the 2010 CDBG Program will also reallocate \$41,923 remaining from the Sergeant Township Rescue Truck Chassis/Bed Upgrade Project to fund the 2008 CDBG Eldred Borough Basketball Court/Skate Park Project, and

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the McKean County Commissioners to approve this revision of the 2010 McKean County CDBG Program, reallocating the \$41,923 of the Sergeant Township Clermont VFD Rescue Truck/Bed Upgrade Project funding to the 2008 CDBG Eldred Borough Basketball Court/Skate Park Project.

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 appointing the machine inspectors to serve during the Municipal Primary Election on May 17, 2011 as presented by the McKean County Board of Elections.

**RESOLUTION \_\_\_\_\_ 11 \_\_\_\_\_ OF 2011**

**A RESOLUTION APPOINTING MACHINE INSPECTORS TO SERVE DURING THE MUNICIPAL PRIMARY ELECTION-May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**WHEREAS**, the McKean County Board of Elections is, pursuant to 25 P.S. §2642 (c), comprised of the designated appointees by the Court of Common Pleas; and

**WHEREAS**, pursuant to 25 P.S. §2674, the County Board of Elections shall, prior to each primary and election, appoint for each additional voting machine to be used in such district, one qualified registered elector of the county to serve as machine inspector therein for such primary or election.

**WHEREAS**, the list of individuals listed on “Exhibit A” have received election officer training and are willing to serve in this capacity;

**WHEREAS**, the McKean County Board of Elections, desire to appoint the individuals, listed on “Exhibit A”, as Machine Inspectors for the Municipal Primary Election scheduled on May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

**NOW THEREFORE**, this 10<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2011, the McKean County Election Board RESOLVES and enacts as follows:

1. The individuals listed on “Exhibit A” are appointed as Machine Inspectors to serve in this capacity during the Municipal Primary Election-May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011.
2. The Director of Elections of McKean County is to provide training necessary for the appointed Machine Inspectors to carry out their duties.

**“EXHIBIT A”**

**MACHINE INSPECTORS**

**Municipal Primary Election-May 17<sup>th</sup>, 2011**

**Annin Township**

**Cathy Causer, 555 Long Hollow,  
Turtlepoint**

<b>Bradford City-2nd Ward</b>	<b>Susan Niegowski</b> , 285 Congress St., Bradford <b>Joe Palagonia</b> , 149 South Ave., Bradford
<b>Bradford City-3<sup>rd</sup> Ward-2<sup>nd</sup> District</b>	<b>Sally Mangel</b> , 56 Fista Circle, Bradford
<b>Bradford City-4th Ward</b>	<b>Margaret Lent</b> , 162 Williams St., Bradford
<b>Bradford City-6th Ward-1st District</b>	<b>Linda Dent</b> , 23 Glenwood Ave., Bradford
<b>Bradford City-6<sup>th</sup> Ward-2<sup>nd</sup> District</b>	<b>John Baxter</b> , 53 Cornen St., Bradford
<b>Bradford Township-1st District</b>	<b>Jean Hvizdzak</b> , 187 Minard Run, Bradford
<b>Bradford Township-2nd District</b>	<b>Linda Slike</b> , 650 W. Washington St., Bradford <b>Barbara Smead</b> , 925 W. Washington St., Bradford
<b>Eldred Township</b>	<b>James Smith</b> , 846 Barnum Rd., Eldred
<b>Foster Township-1<sup>st</sup> District</b>	<b>Maureen Watson</b> , 425 Derrick Rd., Bradford
<b>Foster Township-3rd District</b>	<b>James L. Brown</b> , 66 Derrick Rd., Bradford <b>Pam Emerson</b> , 17 S. Third St., Bradford
<b>Kane Borough-1st Ward</b>	<b>Connie Hall</b> , 211 Cherry St., Kane
<b>Kane Borough-3rd Ward</b>	<b>Ron Swanson</b> , 633 Wood St., Kane
<b>Keating Township-1<sup>st</sup> District</b>	<b>Beverly Mulauski</b> , 1308 Water St. Ext., Smethport
<b>Keating Township-2<sup>nd</sup> District</b>	<b>Richard Curtis Tanner</b> , 2860 E.

Valley Rd., Smethport

**Liberty Township**

**Gertrude Whipkey**, 183 Pleasant St., Port Allegany

**Mount Jewett Borough**

**Patricia Keesler**, 15 Poplar St., Mount Jewett

**Port Allegany Borough-1<sup>st</sup> District**

**Patricia Thompson**, 311 Arnold Ave., Port Allegany

**Smethport Borough**

**Rebecca Funk**, 705 W. King St., Smethport

**Wetmore Township**

**Betty Drake**, 22 Grandview Rd., Kane

**Mary Hannold**, 188 School St., Kane

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

Judy Ordiway – Explained that during an election year when the Commissioners are running the Court of Common Pleas appoints an election board to serve in their stead and this year the members of the McKean County Election Board are Martin Moses, James “Boo” Coder, Jr. and Francis DeLancey and what they are doing today is appointing machine inspectors for every district that has more than one machine – there has to be an individual appointed to service each machine on election day so this is a resolution of the election board’s recommendation to the Commissioners with the machine inspectors attached.

Mrs. Church – Thanked the members of the election board for serving on the board.

Mr. DeMott – Opened the meeting for public comment.

No public comment.

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