

April 25, 2023

The Juniata County Commissioners met on the above date with Commissioners Alice Gray, Todd Graybill, and Mark Partner present. Also attending were County Treasurer Laurie S. Hower, County Solicitor Donald K. Zagurskie, Human Resources Director Jamie S. Imes, Accounts Payable / Fiscal Director Leah E. Strawser, and Juniata Valley Tri-County Drug & Alcohol Abuse Commission Executive Director Mike Hannon. Participating via WebEx conference call were Sentinel reporter Jordan Fortson, SEDA Council of Governments (SEDA-COG) representative Nadine Simpson, and Children and Youth Services Deputy Director Mandy N. Noss.

The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Chairperson Gray. A moment of silence was observed followed by the Pledge of Allegiance. On a motion by Partner and a second by Graybill, the Minutes of the April 18, 2023 meeting were unanimously approved as submitted.

During public comment, Mike Hannon provided a general update regarding substance abuse services.

There being no further public comment, the Board took the following actions:

- The following meetings and events were reported as being attended.

T. Graybill	M. Partner	A. Gray
Personnel Meeting	Ag Breakfast	Personnel Meeting
Natural Gas Co-op	FFA Awards	CJAB
	CJAB	Solid Waste Advisory
		Security Grant Meeting
		Ag Breakfast
		Council of Agencies
		Housing Collaboration

- The Board listened to a presentation by Lori Glace, District Manager of the Juniata County Conservation District.
- It was moved by Graybill and seconded by Partner to approve the following Federal Fiscal Year (FFY) 2020 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) budget revision (Contract Number C000075966) as recommended by Nadine Simpson, Program Assistant, SEDA-Council of Governments. The motion was unanimously carried.

Oakland Mills Sewage System

Current Budget:	\$79,142.04
Change:	<u>(26,980.38)</u>
Revised Budget:	<u>\$52,161.66</u>

Mifflin Borough Playground

Current Budget:	\$18,520.00
Change:	<u>26,980.38</u>
Revised Budget:	<u>\$45,500.38</u>

- It was moved by Partner and seconded by Graybill to ratify a “Letter of Support” for Covation Center, Inc supporting an application for the Rural Innovation Stronger Economy (RISE) grant to help foster economic growth. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by Graybill and seconded by Partner to approve payment of the following Juniata County Hazardous Materials check. The motion was unanimously carried.
 - #1427 \$275.00 Geedey’s Garage and Towing Towing Service
- It was moved by Graybill and seconded by Partner to approve the tax exonerations for Fayette, Delaware, Greenwood, and Susquehanna Townships as per the material provided. The motion was unanimously carried.
- The Board acknowledged the following resignations:
 - Pamela G. King from her position as a full-time Deputy Register and Recorder effective as of the end of business on May 31, 2023.
 - Donald R. Lyter from his position as a casual, part-time employee within the Commissioner’s Office to provide security services as needed effective as of the end of business on April 15, 2023.
- It was moved by Partner and seconded by Graybill to approve payment of checks #67875 - #67932 in the amount of \$223,738.70. The motion was unanimously carried.
- It was moved by Gray and seconded by Graybill designate Mark R. Partner as the Juniata County Representative for voting during the 2023 Annual Contributors Meeting. The motion passed with Gray and Graybill voting yes. Partner abstained due to his involvement with the action item.

There being no further business, it was moved by Graybill and seconded by Partner to adjourn at 10:17 a.m. The motion was unanimously carried.

II. Salary Board

Chairperson Alice Gray called to order the Salary Board Meeting on Tuesday, April 25, 2023, at 10:18 am. Other Salary Board Members present were Commissioners Todd Graybill and Mark Partner, and County Treasurer Laurie S. Hower. Also attending were Human Resource Manager Jamie Imes, Accounts Payable Manager Leah Strawser, County Administrator S. James Bahorik, Juniata County Solicitor Don Zagurskie and Coroner Lee Snyder. Attending via Webex were Children & Youth Deputy Director Mandy Noss, Program Assistant for SEDA-Council of Governments Nadine Simpson and The Sentinel Reporter Jordan Fortson.

Chairperson Alice Gray called for a motion to approve the April 18, 2023 Minutes. Commissioner Graybill made a motion to approve and Commissioner Partner seconded the motion. Motion passed 4/0.

Chairperson Alice Gray called for a motion to approve hiring the following individuals as casual, part-time “Office” employees within the Commissioners’ Office at an hourly wage of \$15.32 effective April 25, 2023. These positions are classified as “part-time” at less than 1000 hours per year and, as such, do not qualify for any benefits including membership in the County’s Retirement Fund as outlined in the Juniata County Employee’s Retirement System Plan.

Kristen E. Graybill
Naomi K. King

Treasurer Hower made a motion to approve and Commissioner Partner seconded the motion. Motion passed 4/0.

Chairperson Alice Gray called for a motion to approve the hiring of Ms. Cassandra Brumbaugh as a Juniata County Children and Youth Services caseworker effective May 15, 2023 as recommended by Ashley J. Baxter, Children & Youth Services Director. Ms. Brumbaugh replaces Samantha W. Snook who resigned. Salary and benefits will be as per the current bargaining unit contract. Commissioner Partner made a motion to approve and Commissioner Graybill seconded the motion. Motion passed 4/0.

There was a discussion with County Coroner Lee Snyder regarding personnel.

Chairperson Gray called for a motion to adjourn at 10:33 am. Commissioner Graybill made a motion to adjourn and Treasurer Hower seconded the motion. Motion approved 4/0.

Respectfully, Laurie S. Hower

III. Retirement Board – No business scheduled.

Alice J. Gray, Chairperson

Todd A. Graybill, Vice Chairman

Mark R. Partner, Secretary

Submitted for Approval
S. James Bahorik, County Administrator