

A Special Meeting of the Fayette County Board of Commissioners was held on Thursday, January 08, 2015 at 11:00 am, in the Fayette County Commissioners Conference Room Uniontown Pa.

Present:

Commissioner Vince Zapotosky Chairman
Commissioner Angela Zimmerlink, Vice Chair
Commissioner Alfred Ambrosini, Secretary (arrived at 11:10 am)
Kathy Winkler, Administrative Assistant to Chairman

- Moment of Silent
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Public Comment on Agenda Item
- Appoint Member's to Boards & Authorities
- Public Comment

Commissioner Zimmerlink asked to conduct roll call.

Commissioner Zapotosky-present
Commissioner Zimmerlink-present
Commissioner Ambrosini- absent

Commissioner Zapotosky stated record reflects, there is a quorum to carry on with this meeting.

Terry Kriss asked Commissioners how many Board members are expected to be appointed today.

Commissioner Zimmerlink said about 16 will be appointed today, and at another meeting we will appoint the remaining members.

Mr. Kriss asked why all members will not be appointed today.

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated we do not have all individuals selected as of yet.

Mr. Kriss asked how many individuals wanted reappointed.

Commissioner Zimmerlink said about 29 will be appointed today, five are Commissioner Representatives. She added we did receive approximately 25 with letters of interest who wanted to be reappointed, about 20 to 25 new applicants were sent in.

Commissioner Alfred Ambrosini entered meeting, 11:10 am

Mr. Kriss asked if any new applicants were interviewed.

Commissioner Zimmerlink said Administrative Assistant Kathy Winkler sent two e-mail to all Commissioners offering dates to interview though none was scheduled. Mrs. Winkler offered dates that were available. She got no response from Commissioner Ambrosini and Commissioner Zapotosky was not available the days that were chosen.

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated she prefers to have the interviews in December. This gives the boards and authorizes time to do their reorganizations at their January meetings.

Mr. Ambrosini stated he did not notice an e-mail request from Mrs. Winkler to set up interviews.

Mrs. Winkler verified she did not receive a response from Commissioner Ambrosini.

Commissioner Ambrosini said he didn't notice the e-mail though he would be willing to hold interviews.

Mr. Kriss stated how disappointed he was that no interviews were held. He said he would think the new applicants would have been interviewed.

Commissioner Zapotosky stated he felt comfortable with the applicants that applied after reading the resumes and letters of interest or either he knew them. He said with the options he felt comfortable making an educated decision.

Commissioner Zimmerlink said the facts are over the last several years. There has been several interviews I conducted by myself. She added the reason why interviews were not conducted this year is because Commissioner Ambrosini did not respond to his e-mail. So again, interviews need schedule to fill the remainder of the Board Appointments.

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated Commissioner Ambrosini now wants to interview but before he never answered his e-mail which dates were offered to conduct the new individuals interviews.

Mr. Kriss stated he is a tax payer and the Commissioners are paid to conduct these interviews and do their job.

Agricultural Land Preservation Board:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Darrell Becker as a farmer representative to the Agriculture Land Preservation Board for a three (3) year term ending December 31, 2017

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated that she thought she heard Commissioner Ambrosini say he wants to interview previous and new individuals that apply for the boards, am I correct that you didn't interview Mr. Becker. Commissioner Ambrosini stated he has known Mr. Becker,

Commissioner Zimmerlink replied to Commissioner Ambrosini by saying, first you want to interview all members old and new, and now you say, you are ok with them if they are already on board?

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Sara Sickles as a Farmer Representative to the Agriculture Land Preservation Board for a three (3) year term which expires December 31, 2017.

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Zimmerlink again asked if the previous motion was, unanimously. The response was yes, again she said that is another person that Commissioner Ambrosini did not meet with. His response was, he also knew Mrs. Sickles, and he sees no reason to interview her. Commissioner Zimmerlink said to Commissioner Ambrosini you stated you were not comfortable making appointment without interviewing all individual, and now you are again voting for someone you haven't interviewed. Commissioner Ambrosini again stated he was familiar with Mrs. Sickles.

Laurel Highlands Visitors Bureau:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to reappoint Muriel Nuttall as a Commissioner Reprehensive to the Fayette County Laurel Highlands Visitors Bureau for a (1) one year term ending on December 31, 2015.

Commissioner Zimmerlink asked Commissioner Ambrosini if he interviewed Mrs. Nuttall and his response was no.

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes

Motion passed unanimously

SPC Public Participation Panel

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to appoint the following members to the Southwestern Pennsylvania Commission SPC Public Participation Panel for a 2 year term ending December 31, 2016.

	Bill Blaney	Tom Mc Grew	Barry Saneri
Bernard John	Steve Cooper	Kerry Moser	Harry Joseph
		Mike Lucy	
	Andrew French	Charles Matthews	Joe Ambrose
		Jamie Krisner	
	Ben Wright	Sally Moser	Tammy Stenson
Dan Mancuso Jr.	Daniel Glitz	Lester Ward	Mark Wasler
		Allen George	
	Dave Grantz	Muriel Nuttall	Mark Yauger
		Jeff Peffer	
	Donna Holdroff	Lori Groover Smith	Brian Kisel
		Art Bower	
	James Saylor	Joe Segilia	Jim Marmol
		Kathy Rice	
	Robert Shock	Ed Fike	Andrew Kormanik
Darlene Centofanti	Mark Rafail	Madeline Sloboda	Rod Wheeler
		Jessie Wallace	
	Philip Michael	Nena Kaminsky	Madonna
Nicklow			

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Zimmerlink asked Commissioner Ambrosini if he had interviewed any of the pervious member since last year’s Board Appointments and his response was no, and he stated we never interview for the SPC Panel. Commissioner Zimmerlink said that comment is not true.

Fayette County UCC Appeals:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Tim Emory as a category 1 builder, to the UCC Appeals Board for, a 2 year term ending December 31, 2016.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini abstain

Motion passed 2-0

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Ellwood Kelly as a category 4 contractor, to the UCC Appeals Board for, a 2 year term ending December 31, 2016.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini abstain

Motion passed 2-0

Commissioner Ambrosini stated he didn't know these members that is why he abstained

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Tim McGrew as a category 2 engineer, to the UCC Appeals Board for, a 2 year term ending December 31, 2016.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini abstain

Motion passed 2-0

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated all previous appointments were reappointments.

Fayette County Zoning Hearing Board:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to reappoint Edward Payson as a full time member on the Zoning Hearing Board for a three (3) year term ending December 31, 2017.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Ambrosini stated he does know this member.

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Gwen Clark as an alternate member to the Zoning Hearing Board for a three (3) year term ending December 31, 2017.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Zimmerlink said she has been an alternate in the past years.

Fayette County Conservation District:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to appoint Alfred Ambrosini as Commissioner Representative to the Fayette County Conservation District Board for a 1 year term ending December 31, 2015

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

Pittsburgh Regional Alliance:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to appoint Alfred Ambrosini as the Fayette County Representative to the Pittsburgh Regional Alliance for a one (1) year term ending December 31, 2015.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

Regional Trail Corporation:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Donna Holdorf to the Regional Trail Corporation for a three (3) year term to expire on December 31, 2017.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated Mrs. Holdorf has been a member on this board so she is also a reappointed member at this time the board has items going on right now and Mrs. Holdorf is currently working on these.

Emergency Medical Services Board EMSI:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Scott Dolan to the Emergency Medical Services Board for a term one (1) year term ending December 31, 2015

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Zimmerlink asked Commissioner Ambrosini if he interview Mr. Dolan and he stated no because he knows him.

Southwestern PA Human Services:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Jolene Hough to the Southwestern PA Human Services for a one (3) year term ending December 31, 2016.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated Mrs. Hough is a reappointment, Commissioner Ambrosini did not interview her.

Behavioral Health Administration:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Dr. Denise Martin as the Professional in the Psychology, Social Work, Nursing, Education, & Religion Category to the Behavioral Health Administration for a 3 year term ending December 31, 2017.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to reappoint Dr. Joe Labuda as a Physician Category to the Behavioral Health Administration for a 3 year term ending December 31, 2017.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Betty Ann Rock in the Local Health & Welfare or Hospital Category to the Behavioral Health Administration for a 3 year term ending December 31, 2017.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to reappoint Commissioner Vince Zapotosky as a Commissioner

Representative to the Behavioral Health Administration for a 1 year term which will expire December 31, 2015.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to appoint Carol Warman as Local Citizens Organization Field of MH Category to the Behavioral Health for a 3 year term ending December 31, 2017

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated Carol Warman is a new appointed member. She asked Commissioner Ambrosini if he interviewed Mrs. Warman his reply was no.

Southwestern PA Commission (SPC):

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to appoint Commissioner Alfred Ambrosini as the County Commissioner Representative to the Southwestern PA Commission for a one (1) year term ending December 31, 2015.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to appoint Commissioner Angela Zimmerlink as the County Commissioner Representative to the Southwestern PA Commission for a one (1) year term ending December 31, 2015.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink abstain
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed 2-0

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Dan Shimshock as the Elected Official Representative to the Southwestern PA Commission for a (1) year term ending on December 31, 2015.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Joe Grata as the Citizen Representative to the Southwestern Pa Commission for a one (1) year term ending December 31, 2015.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Fred Junko as the Citizen Representative to the Southwestern Pa Commission for a one (1) year term ending December 31, 2015.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Commissioner Alfred Ambrosini to the Executive Committee of the Southwestern Pa Commission for a one (1) year term ending December 31, 2015.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
 Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
 Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

Fay Penn Economic Development Council:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to appoint Commissioner Vince Zapotosky as Commissioner Representative for a 2 year term ending December 31, 2016

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
 Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
 Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

Authorities

Fayette County Airport Authority:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to appoint John Cofchin to the Fayette County Airport Authority for a 5 year term ending the 1st Monday in January 2020.

Commissioner Ambrosini stated, he knows Mr. Cofchin

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
 Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
 Commissioner Ambrosini no

Motion passed 2-1

North Fayette Municipal Authority:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to appoint Barbara Fetsko to the North Fayette Municipal Authority for a 5 year term ending December 31, 2019.

Commissioner Zimmerlink said Mrs. Fetsko was on the Fayette County Municipal Authority in the past years.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

Fayette County Industrial Development Authority:

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint John Davidson to the Fayette County Industrial Development Authority for a 5 year term ending the 1st Monday in January, 2020.

Commissioner Ambrosini said he did not interview Mr. Davidson

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Darron Christopher to the Fayette County Industrial Development Authority for a 5 year term ending the 1st Monday in January, 2020

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink yes
Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Ambrosini said he did not interview Mr. Christopher.

- **Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to reappoint Bernard John, Larry Markwood, Frank LaCava, to the Fayette County Industrial Development Authority, terms ended the 1st Monday of January 2014. Setting their terms to end the 1st Monday of January 2019.

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated the Industrial Development Board meets approximately once a year when they need to conduct business.

Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Commissioners Zimmerlink yes

Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Zimmerlink said we will need to hold another meeting to appoint to the following Boards & Authorities.

Children & Youth Services, which we are waiting for recommendations from the current board for the vacant positions.

Fayette County Health Center

Fayette County Hotel Tax Board

Fayette County Housing Authority

Fayette County Planning Commission

Fayette County Transportation Executive Committee

Commissioner Zimmerlink said the Westmoreland Investment Board requested we hold off on appointing members, Commissioner Zapotosky said the laws are about to change.

Public Comment:

Mr. Terry Kriss said to Commissioner Ambrosini he heard he has been missing out of the court house all together, since August 19, 2014 when his chairmanship was taken away. Mr. Kriss said to Commissioner Ambrosini he heard him say he has been at home doing his work.

Commissioner Ambrosini stated he didn't say that.

Mr. Kriss asked Commissioner Ambrosini if he has been in the court house a lot. He also asked if he helped with the budget.

Commissioner Ambrosini said he sat in with Department Heads.

Commissioner Zapotosky said Department Head meetings are for clarification.

Commissioner Ambrosini said he sat in on the revenue meetings.

Commissioner Zimmerlink said that is not accurate. She stated she sat in the meetings when Chief Clerk Amy Revak and Sam Lynch was here.

Commissioner Zapotosky explained to Mr. Kriss when Department Heads come in they hand you a piece of paper of what they want on it.

Mr. Kriss said, basically it's a wish list.

Commissioner Zapotosky said it's an estimated revenue which in fact Commissioner Zimmerlink and I had to address the revenues because they were not accurate.

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated that is factual.

Commissioner Zapotosky added Commissioner Zimmerlink and Mrs. Winkler both helped with the budget.

Mr. Kriss asked if Commissioner Ambrosini helped work on the budget.

Commissioner Zapotosky stated he will not comment.

Commissioner Zimmerlink said Commissioner Ambrosini attended one budget meeting since October 23, 2014, and he attended one budget meeting for one half hour since that and never said a word.

Commissioner Zapotosky said Commissioner Zimmerlink and I passed an accurate budget which reflects revenue that are accurate and we made necessary cuts that where needed. And again it was a strong effort by a lot of folks.

Mr. Kriss explained how the constituents of Fayette County appreciate all the work that was done.

Mr. Kriss also explained how disappointed he was in Commissioner Ambrosini and his secretary.

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated she is in the court house 95 % of the time and she know who is here and who is not.

Mr. Kriss asked Commissioner Ambrosini why do you not have time for county business and you cost the tax payers 2 million dollars to try to build a jail . Mr. Kriss stated, you also cost me money. He again explained how disappointed he is in Commissioner Ambrosini and this is now all in the past.

Commissioner Zapotosky and Commissioner Zimmerlink disagreed with Commissioner Ambrosini in several different ways.

Commissioner Zimmerlink explained that she is now leaving the room because this has been going on for 2 ½ years and now Commissioner Ambrosini will get a separate article in the newspaper that everything concerning the prison wasn't his fault. Now we are moving ahead.

Beverly Beal thanked Commissioner Zapotosky and Zimmerlink for placing John Cofchin on the Airport Authority. She stated she had never met a more honest gentleman.

Moved by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to adjourn.

Commissioner Zapotosky	yes
Commissioners Zimmerlink	yes
Commissioner Ambrosini	yes

Motion passed unanimously