

A meeting of the Fayette County Board of Commissioners was held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, March 19, 2013 in the Public Service Building, Uniontown, Pa.

In attendance-

Commission Chairman Alfred Ambrosini
Commissioner Vincent Zapotosky
Chief Clerk Amy Revak
County Solicitor Ken Burkley

Chairman Ambrosini called the meeting to order at 10:03 a.m.

A prayer was given by Rev. Ewing Marietta.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Amend agenda

Commissioner Ambrosini said there are a few amendments to the agenda. He said the first one is to amend under Act 13 resolutions, to change the word “reserve” to “outlay” from capital reserve to capital outlay. He said the second one is under the Courts, which is approval to advertise to seek proposals for buildings for lease, and it says for the Perryopolis area, but to change it to an area to be chosen. He said he doesn’t want to restrict the proposals and the other thing is under the courts to seek proposals for buildings for lease and it says in the Perryopolis area but he said he wanted to change it a bit if he can. He said there are two items that he wants to look at, one is the center of the geographical area and the other is to look at the population density of the region also, for Magisterial District Courts 14-3-04 and 14-3-06 and the building must be ready to open by January 1, 2014.

Commissioner Zapotosky clarified that Commissioner Ambrosini wants to remove the area that is cited and open it for proposals for potential properties that rest within a consolidated district, which he confirmed with Tammy Lambie of the Court Administrator’s office. Ms. Lambie asked that Perryopolis be included in the motion because it is central in the vast area that is being combined. She said they must consider transportation regarding how people will get to the site. She said she doesn’t mind looking at the outskirts of Perryopolis, but she would like it to be centrally located or close to that area for many different reasons. She added that she would like to amend the item to lease “and/or a building to spec” because if someone wants to build a building, she would be willing to listen. Commissioner Zapotosky clarified that the motion should also include building a building to spec. He said the motion would be to seek proposals for buildings for lease or buildings to spec in the consolidated Magisterial Districts 14-3-04 and 14-3-06, and the building must be ready to open by 1 January, 2014. Commissioner Ambrosini and Ms. Lambie confirmed that is acceptable.

Commissioner Ambrosini said the other amendment is to consider approval of a resolution to designate signature authority for the Weaver Mill Bridge project between the county and the state. He asked Art Cappella of the Planning and Zoning office to elaborate. Mr. Cappella said the county has been working to replace the Weaver Mill Bridge No. 95 over Georges Creek. He said this project is part of the transportation improvement plan for 2013. He said it uses federal dollars from the federal highway administration. He said Attorney Sheryl Heid is reviewing the document between the county and the state, adding it is an 80/20 split.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to amend the agenda to add:

Act 13 resolutions

Consider approval of a resolution utilizing \$379,705 in 2012 Act 13 money as authorized under Act 13, page 30, line 20 number 11, for deposit into the county's capital outlay fund if the funds are used solely for a purpose set forth in this section.

Courts

Consider approval to advertise to seek proposals for buildings for lease and/or a building to specification for the consolidation of Magisterial District Courts 14-3-04 and 14-3-06. The building must be open by January 1, 2014.

Planning and Zoning

Consider approval of a resolution to designate signature authority for the commissioners for the Weaver Mill Bridge project between the county and the state.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Public Comment on Agenda Items

Ralph Mazza said it had nothing to do with the agenda, but he asked Commissioner Ambrosini to move the American flag to the end of the table.

Marilyn Miller, President of the Fayette County Library System spoke about the libraries throughout the county. She said they continue to provide free library service through the nine public libraries, which includes libraries in Brownsville, Dawson, Connellsville, Dunbar, German/Masontown, Frazier, Point Marion, Republic and Smithfield. She said all the libraries are staffed with ambitious people who are trying to raise the standards and help citizens prepare for the challenges in today's world. She

said unfortunately, recently the Dunbar Library had water damage and it was closed for a short time. She said the floor had to be replaced and it was closed while it was replaced. She said she wanted to give examples of wonderful services being provided in the libraries. She said the Carnegie Library in Connellsville has through great effort has secured a grant along with the city of Connellsville and they provided matching funds in order to make renovations to the very old and magnificent building. She said they will repair the roof and floors and will install new windows.

Commissioner Zapotosky said they secured money through the energy efficiency grant. He said they were working on that and are aware of it. Ms. Miller said the Carnegie Library and the German/Masontown Library are offering GED classes and that is significant because it will help adults complete their high school education and acquire a diploma which will help them have a better promise in the future. She said the Frazier Library is a combined school and community library and they can use the resources and library space when classes are not in session so they can make the most of the space. She said the summer reading programs are about to start, which include activities and contests to make it fun. She said a middle school student who does the summer reading program has authored her own book and had it published, just completed her second one and is now writing her third book. She said the libraries are doing what they can to meet the needs of people in the county of all ages, from the preschool children in the imagination library to the book club for adults known as a reading circle. She said she hopes they will recognize the libraries as they work to improve the lives of the residents of Fayette County.

Proclamations/Awards

Commissioner Ambrosini asked Ms. Miller to come up for the first proclamation of National Library Week. She brought up representatives from Carnegie, Smithfield and German/Masontown. Commissioner Ambrosini read the proclamation. Ms. Miller said the Dunbar Library will have an open house after repairs are completed. She said the Carnegie Library will be celebrating its 110th anniversary. Casey, the director of the Carnegie Library invited everyone on Sunday, May 5 to their open house from 12 to 6 with refreshments. She said it is free, and they are the largest free library in Fayette County. Amy Ryan from the German/Masontown Library introduced herself.

Commissioner Zapotosky read the proclamation for Child Abuse Prevention Month. Gina D'Auria, CYS director, said in conjunction with the Crime Victims Center, they are trying to raise awareness in the community on child abuse prevention and sexual assault awareness. She said a rally will be held on April 12 at Penn State Fayette, the Eberly Campus. She said they will also have an educational program about reporting abuse. She urged the community to come out from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on April 12 at Penn State Fayette Campus. She said on April 18 they will award the compassionate education award and it will be held at the Cabaret and they can RSVP to CYS.

Commissioner Ambrosini read the proclamation for Sexual Assault Awareness Month. A spokeswoman said they want everyone to be aware of sexual assault.

Commissioner Zapotosky said this one falls under the same category as crime victims. Commissioner Ambrosini read the proclamation for Crime Victims Rights Awareness Month. Commissioner Zapotosky read the proclamation for Autism Awareness Month. He said Fayette County has a facility at Highlands Hospital designed for early diagnosis and works in conjunction with Cleveland Clinic and we should be proud to have such a facility in Fayette County.

Proclamations/Awards

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve the following proclamations:

National Library Week April 14 to 20, 2013

Child Abuse Prevention Month April 2013

Sexual Assault Awareness Month April 2013

Victims' Rights Month April 2013

Autism Awareness Month

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Assessment Office

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve the following for a real estate tax exemption as he has been deemed 100% disabled veteran by the Veterans Administration of Pennsylvania effective for the 2013 tax year.

Warren C. Morris 101 Spring Avenue_Masontown PA 15461_Parcel 21-07-0353

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to grant approval to send six assessors for 3 hours of continuing education classes on April 12th 2013 at \$10.00 per person. Class to be held at The Oakhurst Tea Room. Somerset PA.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to grant approval for Chief Assessor William Lukach to attend the Assessors Association of Pennsylvania, annual spring conference on April 24-26 2013 at Seven Springs Mountain Resort. The registration cost is \$400.00 which covers class fees and meals.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to grant approval for assessor Candice McCahill to attend Assessors Association of Pennsylvania, annual awards banquet on April 25, 2013 at Seven Springs Mountain Resort. Candice McCahill is eligible to receive the Governor's Award for 30 years of service to County Government as an Assessor. The cost of a banquet ticket is \$52.00.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

After the vote, Commissioner Ambrosini offered congratulations to Candace for her 30 years of service to the county.

Behavioral Health Administration

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to grant approval of the following agreements and modifications:

	<u>Contract Value</u>	<u>Period</u>
<u>Professional Agreements 2012-2013</u>		
John Lyons, Ph.D.	\$7,200	3/1/13-6/30/13
Value Behavioral Health of PA	\$67,376	4/1/13-6/30/13

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Children & Youth Services

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to grant approval of a FY2011-12 **Purchase of Service Agreement** between the County of Fayette, through Fayette County Children & Youth Services and Fayette County Juvenile Probation Office and **VisionQuest**, National, LTD, 600 North Swan, Tucson, AZ 85711 for Residential Providers including group home setting on an as needed basis. The rates are as follows:

Initial Clothing - \$250.00

Cert #440360	VQ Academy	\$165.61
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Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

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Initial Clothing - \$250.00

417100 – Hartman Street Residential	\$ 162.89
437480 – GOAL Program	\$ 162.89

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Controller

Controller Sean P. Lally presented the following financial condition of the county.

Office of the Controller

Fayette County, Pennsylvania

SEAN P. LALLY
Controller



Phone (724) 430-1217
Fax (724) 430-1366

FUND: GENERAL FUND

DATE: 19-Mar-13

CASH: Checking Account United Bank \$ 1,314,159.97

Funds Owed to General Fund

Temporary Loans			
Victim Witness Fund	\$	30,000.00	
Children and Youth Fund	\$	1,250,000.00	
911 Project Fund	\$	160,000.00	
			\$ 1,440,000.00

Arc Payments Due			
Intermediate Punishment Fund-.3yrs	\$	40,651.26	
Offenders Supervision Fund-3yrs	\$	87,758.28	
Domestic Relations	\$	94,110.66	
Victim Witness	\$	4,271.61	
Records Improvement	\$	2,325.32	
Fredericktown Ferry	\$	5,054.04	
Liquid Fuels	\$	20,387.00	
Children and Youth	\$	114,786.59	
911 Fund	\$	84,872.21	
			\$ 454,216.97

Central Service Payments			
C-17 Fund-2yrs	\$	9,005.00	
Offenders Sprvsn-3yr	\$	39,369.00	
Intermediate Punishment-3yrs	\$	19,532.00	
Victim Witness Fund	\$	10,780.00	
			\$ 78,686.00

Funds General Fund Owes
 Tax Anticipation Note \$ 5,000,000.00

Budget Year Net Position -\$1,712,937.06

	Year to Date
Total 2013 Revenues	\$ 2,117,960.39
Total 2013 Expenditures	\$ 4,777,152.65
Total 2012 Expenditures paid in 2013	\$ 976,334.24

Capital Reserve Fund Balance \$ 33,555.47

Bond Fund Balance \$ 306,970.11

Emergency Management Agency

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to grant approval for Guy Napolillo, 9-1-1 Coordinator to attend training as part of the Region 13 Health and Medical Committee April 14 – 20 at the Center for Domestic Preparedness in Anniston Alabama, at no cost to the County.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

After the vote, Commissioner Zapotosky said Mr. Napolillo was selected by Region 13 to attend this, saying well done and adding that he is very well regarded in that program.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Fayette County Emergency Management Agency/9-1-1 and PA 2-1-1 Southwest.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

In making the motion, Commissioner Zapotosky said for those not aware of what 211 is, if you had a fire, you would call 911 and if you were calling asking for social service programs such as homeless or if heating oil was low, you would dial this 211 program and it is all interconnected and it is a wonderful way of somebody reaching someone on the social service side.

After the vote, Commissioner Ambrosini said regarding the 211 system, he attended a workshop on it a couple months ago and it is really a wealth of information, adding that the service has been in effect in the county for about a year and a half and it has a lot more information such as if you wanted to know who to contact about the LIHEAP program or other energy support. He said for all various types of social services that is the place to call. He said it helps alleviate the missed calls to our 911 system. He said it is effective and the 211 folks will get you directly in contact with who you need. He said they are very efficient and it will help you get to the services you need more directly than calling other places. He said he applauds the service and he is glad to see it is growing in Fayette County.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Fayette County Emergency Management Agency/9-1-1 and the Western Pennsylvania Region of the American Red Cross Southwestern Pennsylvania Chapter.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Human Resource Department

Commissioners Office

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to ratify the transfer of F/T 911 Dispatcher Amanda Pierno to Program Manager of the Supervised Visitation/ Safe Exchange Program at an annual rate of \$33,592 effective March 11, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve Tammy Boyle, Christy Spiker and Amy Revak to attend the Pennsylvania State Association of Township Supervisors Intermediate Accounting training program on May 22, 2013 at the Ramada Conference and Golf Hotel in State College, PA. The registration fee, which includes tuition, materials, continental breakfast and lunch, is \$80/ person. The cost for the overnight stay on May 21, 2013 at this hotel is \$96.32 including tax.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

FACT

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to ratify the transfer of F/T Bus Driver, Latisha Goree, to a P/T Bus Driver per her request, effective March 5, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to ratify the promotion P/T Bus Driver, Donald Gallagher, to a F/T Bus Driver at SEIU Pay Grade 7 Step A \$11.40/hr (\$22,230) effective March 5, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to ratify the resignation of F/T Bus Driver, Janeen Troycheck, effective March 8, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve the hire of Bonnie Durstine as a Full Time Bus Driver at SEIU Pay Grade 7 Step A \$11.40/hr (\$22,230) effective March 20, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve the hire of Melvin DeWitt as a Full Time Bus Driver at SEIU Pay Grade 7 Step A \$11.40/hr (\$22,230) effective March 20, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

FCBHA

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to ratify the resignation due to retirement of Caseworker II, Cheryl Kraynack, effective March 1, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to ratify the resignation of Mental Retardation Program Specialist I, Dana Zinck, effective March 1, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve the promotion of Casework Supervisor, Holly DeMao Ek to the Mental Retardation Program Specialist I at the FCBHA Pay Scale rate of \$20.16 an hour and \$39,312 annually, effective March 20, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Human Resource

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve an update to County Policy 6.2- Travel and Business Expenses as it pertains to Automobile mileage and Meal reimbursement.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Veteran Affairs

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to ratify the resignation of F/T Van Driver, Willie Smith, effective February 13, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Office of Human and Community Services

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve a software maintenance agreement with Alpine Systems for \$985.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to advertise an RFQ for transportation services for fixed route and shared ride programs for FY 2013-2014 and 2014-2015.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Planning and Zoning

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to renew agreements with the following contractors for Professional Services relating to Planning & Zoning:

Beaver Creek Land Services, Markleysburg
K2 Engineering, Inc., Uniontown
Lennon Smith Sourlet, Coraopolis
Sleighter Engineering, Lemont Furnace
Grimm Surveying, Uniontown

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve RZ 12-13 Hopwood Development, North Union Township, for a change of zone from B-1 General Business to M-1 Light Industrial.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve RZ 12-14 Borough of Brownsville, Luzerne Township, for a change of zone from C-1 Conservation to A-1 Agricultural-Rural.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

In making the motion, Commissioner Zapotosky said the project is designed to do surface mining on what is now the Patsy Hillman Park. He said it is a great project and the proceeds will go directly to enhancement and improvement of the park. He said the request isn't for land that will be used for surface mining, however land to have equipment in place so they can do the project and he said he supports the request to change the zoning from C-1 conservation to A-1 agricultural rural.

Public Works

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to advertise for bids for an X-Ray Security Scanner for the Courthouse. The bids will include the unit to be delivered, installed, and for on site start up operator training up to 4 hours for a minimum of 2 operators and a 5-year contract for maintenance and radiation certification of the equipment.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
 Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Prior to the vote, Commissioner Zapotosky thanked the courts for its willingness to assist with the project.

Commissioners

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to ratify the following transfers.

2-12-13 to 3-11-13			
Department	Cost Center	Debit	Credit
Adult Probation			
Drug testing	01423653191	\$3,100	
Materials/supplies	01423652000		\$2,650
Telephone	01423653200		\$450
Travel	01423653300	\$170	
Materials/supplies	01423652000		\$170
Building and Grounds			
Utilities	01417453600	\$704.08	
Building improvement	01417453730		\$704.08
Salary full time	01417451400	\$20	
Materials/supplies	01417452010		\$20
Utilities	01417453600	\$7,500	
Contract services	01417453011		\$7,500
Salary full time	01417451400	\$1,000	
R&M Building	01417453730		\$1,000
Utilities	01417453600	\$2,535	
Vehicle repairs	01417453730		\$2,505

Materials/supplies	01417452010		\$30
Courts			
Contract services	14418653100	\$125	
Materials/supplies	14418652000		\$125
Contingency	01417952910	\$7,150	
Court appt atty	01418453141		\$7,150
Contract services	14418653100	\$125	
Materials/supplies	14418652000		\$125
Juvenile Probation			
Travel	01423753300	\$3,000	
Telephone	01423753200	\$2,200	
Grants Title IV	01423754100-230		\$5,200
Travel	01423753300	\$25.69	
Postage	01423753250		\$25.69
Magisterial District Judges			
Contingency	01417952910	\$521.30	
Utilities	01418653600		\$521.30
Materials/supplies	01418652000	\$245	
Telephone	01418653200		\$245
Planning/zoning			
Magistrate fees	01417252425	\$1,480	
UCC inspections	01417253100		\$1,480
Magistrate fees	01417252425	\$600	
Solicitor salary	01417251530		\$600
Magistrate fees	01417252425	\$1,400	
Prof services	01417253100		\$1,100
P&Z mag fees	01417152425		\$300
Prison			
Rental of bldg	01423253830	\$12,750	
Materials/supplies	01423252000		\$12,000
R&M bldg	01423253730		\$750
Food	01423252290	\$2,400	
Utilities	01423253600		\$2,400
Prothonotary			
Photocopy	01419552200	\$20	
Telephone	01419553200		\$20
Public defender			
Assistant	01415251310	\$600	
Materials/supplies	01415252000		\$275
Travel	01415253300		\$325

Recorder of Deeds			
Materials/supplies	01415352200	\$3	
Telephone	01415353200		\$3
Sheepskin Trail			
Sheepskin trail	01492059000-44	\$10,300	
Transfer In	44492039200-01		\$10,300
Treasurer			
Photocopy	01413952200	\$6	
Telephone	01413953200		\$6
Total Debits	\$57,980.07	Total Credits	\$57,980.07

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve the February 19, 2013 regular commissioner meeting minutes.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to table a corrective resolution concerning compensation of tax collectors.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Prior to making a motion, Commissioner Zapotosky asked for a copy of the resolution. Solicitor Burkley said he indicated to Solicitor Cupp that he had questions. Commissioner Ambrosini said this involves a resolution made in December 2004. He said the resolution reads “Move by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Hardy changing the method of compensation for county tax collection from a 3 ½ percent commission to a flat rate of \$1.50 per tax bill issued and a flat rate of 15 cents per capita tax bill issued.” He said apparently that is vague enough where there were a number of misunderstandings over the years and there are tax collectors using different procedures to bill the county. He said what they need to do, adding that he is sure they will table the motion because they need to look at language to make that more clear and to review with the tax collector population, or the tax collectors so everybody understands exactly what can and cannot be billed to the county.

Board appointments

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to rescind the appointment of Don Bowser as a public representative to the Fayette County Conservation District for a four-year term to expire the first Monday of January 2016.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to rescind resolution 13-01-15-44 regarding the appointment of Brian Butler as a farm representative to the Fayette County Conservation District for a four-year term to expire December 31, 2016.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to appoint Don Bowser as a farm representative to the Fayette County Conservation District for a four-year term to expire December 31, 2016.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Prior to making a motion, Commissioner Zapotosky asked if Mr. Bowser is being appointed as the public representative and the farm representative. Chief Clerk Revak said no, the motion from the month prior appointed him as a public representative but there wasn't an opening for a public rep. Commissioner Zapotosky said the motion prior had him as a public representative, with Chief Clerk Revak saying that is why it was rescinded. Commissioner Zapotosky said OK, so he will be the farm representative. Chief Clerk Revak said the board is now full and complete. Commissioner Zapotosky said OK.

Courts

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to grant approval to advertise to seek proposals for buildings for lease and/or a building to specification in the Perryopolis and surrounding area for the consolidation

of Magisterial District Courts 14-3-04 and 14-3-06. The building must be open by January 1, 2014.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Planning and Zoning

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve a resolution to designate signature authority for the commissioners for the Weaver Mill Bridge project between the county and the state.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Act 13 resolutions

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Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Prior to making a motion, Commissioner Zapotosky said as a point of reference, there was an amendment in the meeting to remove capital reserve. He said that would have frozen the money only for capital projects. He said he knows it has been a subject of great conversation, but he has developed what he feels is, adding that he knows everybody wants more, saying there are other groups that requested funding. He said the county, of course, has to utilize the funding. He said he set forth a proposal that he would like to present to the board for approval or discussion. He said it would read as follows, adding that it is out of 2013 Act 13 funds. Commissioner Ambrosini said he didn't mean to interrupt but he asked if they could do the motion on the 2012 Act 13 funds first. He said it fits nicely together and Commissioner Zapotosky did a fantastic job in coming up with the alternative motion and they can review it after.

Commissioner Ambrosini again asked Commissioner Zapotosky to pardon the interruption, but he said for the distribution of county Act 13 funds to county entities Commissioner Zapotosky came up with a plan that he thinks will be very workable and

agreeable to everybody. He said it will involve more money than what was proposed last month. Commissioner Zapotosky said he wished he could say it would be agreeable to all parties, but he doubts that would be the case. He said it feels it has equity, it is shared, adding that the law was passed by the Pennsylvania Legislature and not by the three commissioners. He said the county has costs it is incurring from state cuts but cuts in general. He said other groups were requesting funds and not all the impacts were negative impacts, some were positive. He said as an item for discussion or approval he has for the 2013 Act 13 money is the following” 10 percent for the townships, 4 percent for the county volunteer fire departments, 4 percent for the Joseph A. Hardy/Connellsville Airport, 2 percent for the Fayette Chamber of Commerce, a countywide chamber; 1 percent for the Connellsville Chamber of Commerce; 3 percent for the Fayette County Redevelopment Authority, and the only social service he has listed would be 1 percent for Fayette County Community Action Agency.

Commissioner Zapotosky said it is estimated on \$1,450,000 for 2013, so there would be a 25 percent share with these agencies and the county would maintain 75 percent. He said the total cost would be \$362,500. He said other organizations were requesting funds and he believes that the fire departments were something that the county definitely needs to pay more attention to and they desperately need any help they can get and this is an opportunity to assist them. He said it would be only for 2013 to see if the process works and if it works effectively they can continue it. He said if there are wrinkles and it is not working effectively then they can come back and revisit it and amend it so they can correct any errors along the way. He said all of the organizations receive a portion of this. He said the townships wanted more, adding that they are receiving over \$2.4 million, and as you break it down some have increased amounts and some have less but he thought this would be a fair distribution while not forgetting those volunteer men and women that any time day or night they respond to a fire or on the roads or injuries and a lot of recreational facilities.

Commissioner Zapotosky said that he knows that every dollar they can receive in addition to the dollars they work so hard through hoagie sales, through bingos and those funds are starting to dry up more and more along with their state and federal funding and he felt that the fire departments deserve something. He said he wished they could do more. He said the county does have financial obligations including bridge repair in which the estimates are mind boggling.

Commissioner Ambrosini said he has a county bridge assessment report and everyone is welcome to look at it. He said it is broken down into four categories, one is bridges that are currently out of service because of degradation. He said for those it would cost \$1,550,000 to put them back into service. He said category two is the county bridges the currently have weight restrictions. He said in order to remove those weight restrictions, adding there are a lot that have weight restrictions, it would cost \$12,048,000 to repair those bridges. He said category three are bridges with no weight restrictions but are deteriorated to a point where weight restrictions are coming very quickly and in order to repair those it would be \$3,105,000. He said category four is routine maintenance on the remainder of the bridges just to keep them where they are

and that is \$148,450, so everyone can see there is \$15 million-plus in needed county bridge repairs or replacements. He said they are trying to do their best to cover all bases and cover the needs of everybody. He said everybody has needs other than what the financial resources are. He said he hopes that everyone, especially the township supervisors understands that the county also has needs much more than the financial resources are. He said as Commissioner Zapotosky indicated, the money they are willing to pass out totals \$362,500. He said the proposal initiated the prior month was about \$240,000, so this is significantly higher than what was proposed last month and it helps more people.

Commissioner Ambrosini said he hopes everyone takes that into consideration and understands that they are trying their best to make sure that they get everybody, especially the high priority projects that need the funding. Commissioner Zapotosky said it goes back to the fact that it is a state law and they would hope that the Legislature and the current governor or if administrations would change, would go back and revisit this because this act left \$500 million on the table in Harrisburg. He said it isn't the county commissioners that bear the responsibility of allocating these funds to the respective townships either directly based on the funds the county derives. He said the state passed the law and he urges everyone to contact the Legislative body and the governor to say this just isn't making it. He said some of you may not be pleased but he feels they have shared some of the revenues, he said the volunteer fire departments have been ignored and this is an opportunity for the county to help them out along the way. He said the county will be asking them in the next couple of years to purchase new radios to upgrade their technology to fit the expansion of the 911 system. He said they will have to go to digital radios and those costs could range from \$2,000 to \$3,000 to \$4,000.

Commissioner Zapotosky said this is a proposal he wanted to bring forth. He said it does meet the guidelines under the agenda item, and confirmed that with Solicitor Burkley.

Act 13 resolutions

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to grant approval of a resolution utilizing 2013 Act 13 money in the following manner: 10 percent for the townships, 4 percent for the county volunteer fire departments, 4 percent for the Fayette County Airport Authority, 2 percent for the Fayette Chamber of Commerce, a countywide chamber; 1 percent for the Connellsville Chamber of Commerce; 3 percent for the Fayette County Redevelopment Authority, and the 1 percent for Fayette County Community Action Agency for a total of 25 percent of the 2013 Act 13 money.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously

Public Announcements

Public Comments

Commissioner Ambrosini asked that anyone making public comments limit them to five minutes. Menallen Township Supervisor Joe Petrucci said he has come to the commissioners meeting before on the subject and he is representing the 22 townships from the county that attended the meeting. Jim Means from Wharton Township took a roll call of the townships in attendance. They were Wharton, Washington, Upper Tyrone, Stewart, Springhill, Springfield, South Union, Saltlick, Redstone, Perry, North Union, Nicholson, Menallen, Luzerne, Lower Tyrone, Jefferson, Henry Clay, German, Georges, Franklin, Dunbar and Bullskin. Not present were Connellsville and Brownsville. Supervisor Petrucci said those are the townships that would be interested in receiving money. He said doing some quick math, he said it is .33 percent or 1/3 of a percent of the total amount of money. He said it amounts to about \$5,500 and if you eliminate the townships that won't participate, it will be a little bit higher.

Supervisor Petrucci asked if they would be included in the 2012 Act 13 money and Commissioner Ambrosini responded no. Supervisor Petrucci said the initial round of money is gone and they were not included. Commissioner Ambrosini said it is committed. Supervisor Petrucci asked if there is any way they can be included. Commissioner Ambrosini said they already passed resolutions to commit pretty much all of that money. Commissioner Zaptosky said they upgraded the 911 system which has a debt service of roughly \$8 million and a repayment schedule of what, Mr. Lally, 10 years. Controller Lally said it is \$844,000 a year. Commissioner Zaptosky said it is \$844,000 and it is his understanding that they have committed the full amount of that first payment under Act 13 to the Motorola project.

Supervisor Petrucci said the Motorola project will benefit the fire departments, with the commissioners saying it will help everyone in Fayette County. Supervisor Petrucci said the townships are responsible for fire protection and they have to, by law, provide fire protection for the townships. Although he said it is a good gesture on their part to give them four percent, adding that he doesn't want to slight the fire departments, but he thinks that four percent would be better spent on the townships because ultimately they have to provide that fire protection. Commissioner Zaptosky asked if they buy breathing apparatus equipment for the fire departments. Supervisor Petrucci said it varies on what townships do for their fire departments. He said some townships only have one fire department, and he said in the case of Menallen Township, which is the only township he can speak for, they "do a lot of stuff like that" such as fuel or helping with fund raisers.

Commissioner Zaptosky said they do a lot. A supervisor asked what the county's allocation is for liquid fuels for the bridge projects that were mentioned. He also asked how many bridges are impacted by the gas drillers that use the bridges that probably

would not meet the weight restrictions. Commissioner Zapotosky said looking at the sheet of Act 13 money that was disbursed, and the city of Uniontown received \$53,000. The supervisor said that didn't answer the question, he asked how much money the county got from liquid fuels. Commissioner Zapotosky said he can't hypothesize on how many bridges are impacted but it is something that the legislation will allow. He said the municipalities are receiving \$2.4 million that is broken down based on how many gas wells are in the area. He said some townships receive \$245,000, some are receiving \$376,000. Commissioner Zapotosky said Dunbar Borough is receiving \$2,500.

Commissioner Zapotosky said he didn't come up with the act, the act was created by the Legislature. The supervisor said he wasn't asking that, and he was beating around the bush and giving him lip service. Commissioner Zapotosky said he is giving him facts based on what they receive. The supervisor asked how many bridges are impacted by the Act 13 money. He said those bridges need replaced and he came there before. He said a lot of the bridges the county builds are overkill and he can take them to between Menallen and North Union and see one that is overkill. The supervisor said they could pit a pipe in that would suffice and save hundreds of thousands of dollars. He said they need a study on the hydraulics and somebody who is knowledgeable and can do those types of things and can save the county hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Commissioner Zapotosky said the county bridges are inspected by an engineering firm. The supervisor said they will never reach the requirements that are needed. Commissioner Zapotosky said there have been cases, adding that the Washington Township supervisors are there, and there was a bridge out between Washington Township and Fayette City and it was owned by PennDOT. He said the county ended up securing the bridge because PennDOT's costs were astronomical, confirming with Supervisor Miller. He said the county came in with the bridge department, did the repairs and got the bridge operational, and how many residents would have been landlocked if not for the county intervening? Supervisor Miller said about 14. Commissioner Zapotosky said the county does provide assistance to a lot of other variables. He said in Jefferson Township several years ago there was erosion and the county interceded with providing liquid fuel money. "We too have been reduced in our liquid fuel funds by the state," Commissioner Zapotosky said.

Commissioner Zapotosky said unfortunately the county is not the state government. He said they have been impacted as well and he would love to give more out of liquid fuels and he would love to give more out of this, but the bottom line is they only have so much out there and the county has obligations it has to satisfy. He said Menallen Township is receiving \$72,000. Supervisor Petrucci said it costs \$90,000 to \$100,000 to pave a mile of road. Commissioner Zapotosky said his question back is why the state didn't take that into consideration when they were drafting this act. An unidentified supervisor said they have very poor representation. Commissioner Zapotosky said he understands the frustration but he added that they didn't come up with the legislation. A supervisor said he understands that stuff has gone up but they always received from the county part of their liquid fuels money to help maintain stuff. He said there was a comment about bridges and "John asked a specific question." Commissioner Zapotosky

said he doesn't know the specific answer. The supervisor said they have bridges too, and god bless them, he said god bless the fire departments because they need help too. He said guard rail replacement today, look at the safety factor. He said it runs \$20 a foot, and they don't want to do 100 feet at a time. The supervisor said a half a mile of road, 20 feet wide runs \$106,000. He said anti-skid is up to \$22.75 a ton. He said an ordinary 30 inch by 30 inch stop sign, which the state shoved down their throats, is up to \$30 each. He said snow plows are \$90 a foot. He also spoke about the bonding amount of \$12,500 per mile, adding that it still isn't straightened out. He said an engineering study runs \$9,500 a mile. Commissioner Zapotosky said, Mr. Means, he understands, adding that they are still in the same boat. He said the cuts in the state and the federal budget is all going downhill and it is coming to the county and the townships.

Commissioner Zapotosky said they have seen it with CYS and the reimbursable matches. He said in 2011/12 the county had to absorb a \$1.2 million loss in revenue dollars. He said the county is seeing the same thing. He said they are there because they want to air this out but he said they should be airing it out with the folks in Harrisburg and Washington D.C. because that is where the problem is starting from. Supervisor Petrucci said what they are doing is admirable and he understands they are trying to help more people, but the impact fee is called an impact fee for a reason. He said it is to make whole those impacted by the adverse drilling of Marcellus Shale. He said that is what it is for. Commissioner Zapotosky said it has incorporated the county as a part of that. Supervisor Petrucci said it has, with Commissioner Zapotosky saying it has incorporated the county for a reason. Supervisor Petrucci said probably the reason is because some counties have road systems. He said the road systems are most adversely affected by drilling. He said by far that is what is most impacted, adding that they made a compelling case at the other meetings and no one disputes what they said because it is all true.

Commissioner Zapotosky said there is no way the county share could ever cover the townships costs, and that is the frustrating thing. He said he would love to be able to disburse \$2 million if they had it but the bottom line is they don't. He said he would hope in the near future decisions are made that would free up some liquid fuel monies which he would love to give back to the township as it was once in the past. He said the county doesn't have any liquid fuel, all the money is going toward operational expenses at the Fredericktown Ferry. Supervisor Petrucci asked if an ordinance will be put in place that will guarantee the townships 10 percent of the money each year. Commissioner Zapotosky said he would love to do it is perpetuity but because of the concern and questions, if they implement it for 2013, then they can look at how it is going and how they are doing and then they can adjust it accordingly based on revenues increasing or whatever the case may be. Supervisor Petrucci said she (Commissioner Zimmerlink) offered a better deal, and offered to give the townships \$10,000 each for 2013.

Commissioner Zapotosky said that is his proposal. He said they may disagree but he thinks it is a good start. Supervisor Petrucci said the other agencies are getting money, but they are not impacted. He said this is a wish list, and yes they have the money to

give them, but they are not impacted. "Our job is to make those roads safe Vince," Supervisor Petrucci said. He said in order to make the roads safe, they need money. He said every \$2,000 that they get helps makes the roads safe so the school buses and senior citizens can travel. He said all that other money, don't give it to the others, give it to the townships. Commissioner Zapotosky said he thinks the Fayette County volunteer fire departments deserve money. He said if they knew the work the chamber of commerce's do with the industry that helps stimulate the economy.

Commissioner Zapotosky asked Muriel Nuttall from the Fayette Chamber of Commerce to speak about what they do to connect businesses together to enhance the economy based on the industry. Mrs. Nuttall said when you look at impacts, she doesn't disagree and she lives in an area that is greatly impacted and she understands where they are coming from. She said impact is a big word and it is broad. She said their job is to connect the business community to the drilling industry. She said they need the tax dollars that come from the residents and businesses in their area in order to keep doing their job. She said some of the other organizations, such as the chamber or the redevelopment authority, out job is to keep the business community strong and the business community prospering so they can keep the residents and taxpayers there and keep the money coming into the community. She said she understands that roads are important but "all of us have a job to do in this big picture" and she understands that. She said the supervisors need to understand that they are the pieces that help the business generators on the other side. She said she spends a lot of her time working with businesses connected with the Marcellus Shale industry to try to keep businesses prospering and she spends a great deal of her time working with the public participation panel, SPC and transportation. She said she works with PennDOT, the National Road and she is on the Tri-County Oil and Gas Expo committee that looks at trying to train and make sure the residents, communities and supervisors and borough officials know what do to and that the emergency officials understand the impacts of Marcellus Shale.

Supervisor Petrucci said there is nothing more important than keeping roads safe. Mrs. Nuttall said if they don't have residents, they don't have tax dollars. Commissioner Zapotosky said the bottom line is that it needs to be addressed before the members of the General Assembly and the Governor. He said that is the crux of the issue. Supervisor Petrucci said they are just asking for a little more money. Commissioner Zapotosky said if the possibility presents itself, he would try to come up with more funds. Commissioner Zapotosky said they will pass it as a resolution and come back and revisit it. He said if the county gets liquid fuels down the road, he will use it for the intended purpose, which is the townships. Supervisor Petrucci asked why it can't be made something in perpetuity today. Commissioner Ambrosini said he can answer that question if Supervisor Petrucci allows him to. He said they are not going to make it in perpetuity today because he thinks it is a good, excellent plan. But he added that it is also a work in progress. He said it is their responsibility as commissioners to make sure they spend the money allocated to the county in an effective and efficient manner. He said if they can see down the road, maybe next year, that there are better ways they can do this, they will. He said that is their responsibility. He said he appreciates Petrucci's compelling argument and he can guarantee that any of the organizations

listed could come and give an identical argument compelling the commissioners that they need more money. He said he doesn't think anybody is going to argue that.

Commissioner Ambrosini said he appreciates the comments, and they will see how things go. A member of the audience asked if they can give that money to other people under Act 13. Commissioner Ambrosini said yes, it is a pretty wide range and it covers capital improvements to county property, repairs, maintenance, it covers a lot of things. Commissioner Zapotosky said it covers social services, and it is very broad. He said the act itself is very broad in the utilization of the funds. He said he doesn't want to beat a dead horse, but the bottom line is they left \$500 million on the table in Harrisburg. He said \$500 million divided by 67 counties could have gone a long way. He said they didn't vote on or write the legislation but the problem is they are not getting the monies coming back. He said the governor allowed the industry to walk away from their participation in this program. He said most of the states or Commonwealths that have gas well drilling have the production fee. He said Pennsylvania is the only one that has this impact fee. "We're getting shortchanged right out of the gate," Commissioner Zapotosky said.

Commissioner Zapotosky said as much as he appreciates their frustration with roads, appreciate our frustration with the fact that our general fund is getting impacted adversely every day. He said he spoke with Controller Lally's assistant about CYS outstanding liability and it is affecting the general fund to the tune of about \$1.5 million as we speak right now. He said they have to pay the bills so they are paying the contractors and the state is not reimbursing us. He said they are meeting in Harrisburg in the middle of April to speak about the CYS issue and about a couple of other things that are affecting not just the county but affecting their ability to serve other levels of government. He said this was going to be an issue that they wanted to raise but he said the bottom line is until they amend this very bad law, adding that Ralph Mazza said several months ago it was a terrible law, our hands are tied. He said this is what they get and they are trying to start out with something reasonable and hopefully they can grow from there and hopefully there are other funding streams coming in the near future and they can work collaboratively to help a lot of folks out, including you guys.

Commissioner Ambrosini said he knows there is a township supervisor association statewide and CCAP(County Commissioner Association of Pennsylvania) is a statewide organization. He said he is pushing CCAP hard, he and Commissioner Zapotosky to modify the Act 13 bill to include a production tax. He said he would encourage the supervisors to do the same thing through their organization because every other state that has a Marcellus Shale type gas available to them has a production fee and they are making much more tax revenue than what Pennsylvania is. He said that is where the emphasis needs to be placed and he would encourage you gentlemen to do that. Supervisor Petrucci said when Attorney Doug Sepic did the resolution for them and presented it to them, they purposely left blank where they asked for a percentage because they didn't know what they would be able to give them. But he said they did ask for something in perpetuity and they did that because they need to be able to plan and budget. He said he is disappointed in the money but he knows where

they are coming from, adding that all the money will help people in the county. Commissioner Zapotosky said they should look at it as a start for them. Supervisor Petrucci said he guesses they will have to because they won't do it in perpetuity. He said it would really help them if they could do that so they can plan. He said this is about \$5,500 or \$6,000 a piece. He said it doesn't sound like much, but these guys know how to spend that money. He said they will squeeze that 5 and make it 10 or 15. He said there is a lot they can do to make roads safe, they can berm roads or shoulder roads.

Commissioner Zapotosky said they still fall short and overall they need more. Supervisor asked that they reconsider and make it an ordinance so the townships can get this, saying that helps make them whole. Commissioner Zapotosky said he will work with them any way he can and he would like to think this is a start and not a finish, so they should pick it up from this point on and see where they can go. Supervisor Means said there are 22 townships at the meeting and there are two that "evidently don't need any extra money." He said right is right and wrong is wrong. Commissioner Zapotosky asked if they can get scratched off the master list. Supervisor Means said before the gas companies were working with the townships and now they are saying that they are paying so they aren't doing this or that. He said, not the commissioners but they go back fighting with the state and the bond doesn't touch what is needed. Supervisor Petrucci said the CDBG money is sequestered and they are almost certain it will be cut.

Commissioner Zapotosky said that is because of the federal government. He said they are sharing the same type of ill effects of a federal and state government not wanting to help us and that is why they need to work together and hopefully this is a start and not an ending. Supervisor Petrucci again asked if they will reconsider and put it in perpetuity. Commissioner Zapotosky said he will work with them in any way he can, with Supervisor Petrucci asking if he can get an answer on that. Commissioner Ambrosini said he gives compelling arguments, saying he has to plan for the future and you have to try to nail down budgeted money so you can use that the best way and most effectively you can, all you gentlemen do that. But he said everything he says, the county has those same obligations. He said we have to plan for the future, we are getting nailed with, as Commissioner Zapotosky said, a \$1.2 million shortfall on CYS. He said that is the 2011/12 budget, we spent that money and though we were going to get reimbursed and they came and said oh by the way, you are not going to get reimbursed for that. And Joe, at the same time they say you have to hire five new caseworkers because of your caseload, which is another \$650,000 so you combine that with the \$1.2 or \$1.3 million, and we are looking at this year a potential \$2 million shortfall. He said that is an attack right on the general fund and we can't absorb it. He said that is why Commissioner Zapotosky and myself are making the effort to go to Harrisburg to talk to the DPW and CYS folks there to try to get this turned around.

Commissioner Ambrosini said Commissioner Zapotosky is exactly right, that is where you have to go make your effort. He said that is where the fight is. He said you don't come here, I will respectively say that this is not the place to come and fight over bread crumbs. He said you have to go to the root of the problem, the root source and make your efforts there. He said that is why he is asking them to support a production fee and

fight for that in Harrisburg. Commissioner Zapotosky said they are going to Harrisburg in the middle of the month. A supervisor commented that he hasn't heard anyone say they got an invitation to go to Harrisburg. Perry Township Supervisor A.J. Boni said he would like to know who has a bill out there on the floor who is trying to change it. Commissioner Zapotosky said that is the problem. Supervisor Boni said CCAP and the township supervisors association had a voice and it was like we got nothing. Commissioner Zapotosky said it was like they were indentured, take the money or else. Supervisor Boni said the governor would not entertain, adding that Commissioner Ambrosini was exactly right. He said the only way the supervisors can support something is if there is a bill on the floor, and they need a Senate or House bill number. He said if somebody is going to draft one up, let them know and they will support it. Commissioner Zapotosky said he had the governor's chief of staff tell him that the General Assembly cut \$40 million from the CYS, so he shifted the blame and Commissioner Zapotosky said his response was that the governor is the same party as both the majority of the House and the Senate, the governor has incredible influence over both those bodies and they are going to say he couldn't do anything.

Commissioner Zapotosky said \$40 million later, \$1.2 million loss that Fayette County had to incur, and they are not counting Philadelphia. He said they still don't know what is out there because Philadelphia has yet to report their fourth quarter. He said it is not just CYS, the MH/MR match went up. He said last year they had to shut down the FACT shared ride program from April to July 1, which means the dialysis and chemo patients. He said fortunately at the last minute, due to pressure from CCAP, the state did give a supplement to continue that transportation. He said if not the county would be faced with shutting down or telling dialysis patients to get their own ride or chemo patients, so we are faced with the same issue. He said what they need to do is to work together because the old adage about something going downhill, guess what, it is. He said they are the last two stops on the governmental ladder. A supervisor said he has been coming for the last six months, and he asked if they hadn't come if they would have gotten that 10 percent. Commissioner Zapotosky said no, which was met with a round of applause.

Commissioner Zapotosky said they will go from here and he would like to think they can grow from this. Supervisor Petrucci said he understands where they are coming from but if they made it permanent it shouldn't affect them one way or another. He said they could budget and know that 10 percent is coming out and they will know that. Commissioner Zapotosky said he will consider that. After Commissioner Ambrosini asked them to wrap up, Ralph Mazza said he is confused. He said the county is allocating 25 percent of the money from Act 13 and 25 percent of \$1.4 million is \$350,000. Commissioner Ambrosini said the breakdown is \$362,500. He said 10 percent of 35,000 isn't what they were getting. Commissioner Ambrosini said they are getting 10 percent of \$1.4 million, which is \$140,000. Mr. Mazza said that isn't the way they put it, they put 25 percent to the townships and everybody else was keeping 75 percent. Commissioner Zapotosky said the total allocation broken down totals 25 percent. Mr. Mazza asked how much is the 25 percent, with Commissioner Ambrosini replying that it is \$362,500, but he said it isn't 10 percent of the 25 percent, it is 10

percent of the \$1.4 million. Supervisor Petrucci said it is \$140,000 divided by 24. Mr. Mazza said that is a little better. Commissioner Zapotosky said that is based on the estimate they have, they don't know if it will increase or not.

Mr. Mazza said that what they said was the county is keeping 75 percent and they are allocating 25 percent. He said the math didn't make sense to him and how they came up with 5,500 because he came up with 1,600. Mr. Mazza said, OK it is 10 percent of \$1.4 million. Commissioner Ambrosini asked if there were any other questions, and an unidentified man said that there is the casino money too. Commissioner Zapotosky said whenever they start rolling the dice. Supervisor Petrucci said, "before we go, is the check in the mail?" Commissioner Zapotosky said they don't know when they will get the 2013 money. Commissioner Ambrosini said he believes they will find out in June. An unidentified man asked if the county had used the \$5 million tax anticipation loan, and the commissioners responded they had used all of it. Commissioner Ambrosini said they are pretty tight until the tax revenue starts coming in and the tax anticipation loan is what the county lives on for the first three months of the year.

Commissioner Zapotosky said they usually pay that off at the end of the year. Controller Lally said a TAN note, which is what it is called, a tax anticipation note, its sold purpose is to carry, state, county or municipal government through until they get tax revenue. He said the rate was 1.39 percent, which was almost free money and without it the county would not be able to operate. He said it allows tax revenue generation to come in. Commissioner Zapotosky said the county got it through PNC Bank and it was 1.26 percent, with Controller Lally saying it was the lowest interest rate he has ever seen. Commissioner Zapotosky said it stays constant on the financial report, the tax revenue doesn't come in because the slips just got mailed out on March 1 and the tax revenue doesn't come in until March, April or May. Geraldine Mazza said the commissioners need to go on a budget and to quit spending money they don't have.

Commissioner Ambrosini said they are on a budget. Mrs. Mazza said it is not working very well. Commissioner Ambrosini said he thinks it is working quite well. Mrs. Mazza said she wants to know where the tree is so she can go visit it. Commissioner Ambrosini then thanked Mrs. Mazza for her comments and asked if there were any additional public comments.

Adjournment

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Motion passed unanimously