

A meeting of the Fayette County Board of Commissioners was held at 10 a.m. on Tuesday, June 18, 2013 in the Public Safety Building, Uniontown, Pa.

In attendance-

Commission Chairman Alfred Ambrosini
Commissioner Vincent Zapotosky
Commissioner Angela M. Zimmerlink
Chief Clerk Amy Revak
County Solicitor Ken Burkley
Assistant County Solicitor John Cupp

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

A silent prayer was observed.

The pledge of allegiance was recited.

Public Comment on Agenda Items

After Commissioner Ambrosini asked if there was any public comment on agenda items, Commissioner Zimmerlink said she wanted to make a motion to amend the agenda to add an item. She said at last Tuesday's agenda meeting one of the items on the agenda was to allocate funds from the Marcellus Shale Impact Fees for Fayette County's Farmland Preservation Program and she made the motion to place it on the agenda for the meeting and it died due to a lack of a second. She said the reason stated was that they weren't prepared to discuss it. She said the problem was that when the agenda item was submitted to the Chief Clerk by her she left out the word Legacy Fund, so she wanted to bring it to the attention and now if the commissioners are ready to consider this, then that is why she would like to have it on the agenda. Commissioner Zimmerlink said if they don't place it on the agenda, she will place it on next month's agenda. She said for clarification purposes and for reconsideration it was, and she is asking to place it on the agenda today to allocate funds from the Marcellus Shale Impact Fees Legacy Fund for Fayette County's Farmland Preservation Program.

Commissioner Ambrosini said what he would like to do is put it on next month's meeting because they have another meeting with the farm bureau to discuss in more detail the needs and some of the synergies they can achieve with the money. He said he would hate to make a decision without knowing those facts. A member of the audience asked to speak about the item and farmland preservation. Commissioner Zapotosky said the item hasn't been amended so it wouldn't be up for public comment. Commissioner Zimmerlink said if it was on the agenda and if she got a second to place it on the agenda then he could. Commissioner Zimmerlink instructed him to bring up his issue at the end of the meeting under public comment. Commissioner Ambrosini asked for a second and Commissioner Zapotosky said he would like to discuss it with the farm

bureau as well as other agricultural associated organizations. He said he thinks it is a worthy investment in our county and it needs more detail. He said this fund is a limited fund and they have disbursed some monies via a motion so he would definitely look and consider allocating some portion. He said, again, these funds are limited unless they want to pull back some of the other appropriations. He said he would like to review this and talk to Mr. Darrell Becker and some of the other organizations as well. He said it is important that they do that.

Commissioner Zimmerlink said that is where the confusion is, for what he just said. She said first off, the farmland preservation board members, at least two of them met with both commissioners and then met with her separately. She said they have talked about it and if they have additional information that is fine, although she doesn't know how much additional information they could give them, but they did speak with the commissioners and with her. She said Mr. Becker asked for a meeting at the last commissioners meeting. She said the second thing is that they didn't allocate any monies, this is out of the legacy fund and she is giving information so they can consider an item that has not been allocated. She said the money that has been allocated by resolution is out of the Act 13 impact fees, that was the 2011 distribution and the 2012 distribution of 1.4 and 1.2 (million). She said she is referring to a fund that has not yet been touched. Commissioner Zimmerlink said they have roughly \$115,000. She said last year, for the 2011 Legacy Fund, \$115,896.63, they have not allocated a dime out of there and also for the 2012 disbursement for the Legacy Fund, they are going to be getting the money at the end of this month, \$113,967.

Commissioner Zimmerlink said that legacy fund, those monies don't get reported to the PUC, those monies can be designated according to the agricultural, Mr. Wolfgang, for farmland preservations. She said she wanted to make it clear because at Tuesday's agenda meeting, the agenda item said impact fee (per Commissioner Zimmerlink) and this is out of the legacy fund and there is \$200,000-some odd dollars that could be, not all of it, but some of it could be allocated to the farmland preservation. Mr. Becker, the chairman of the Agricultural Land Preservation Board in Fayette County and the treasurer of the Fayette County Farm Board, thanked all three of the commissioners for taking their time to talk about this important subject for deserving farms. He said he is optimistic that as they go forward they have said they want to have further meetings and he is amenable to that as long as they don't disburse the funds before the meeting. He said the money can from farms and they want it to go back to help preserve farms. He said he is open for further discussion when it is available and he thanked them for their past time.

Commissioner Zaposky thanked Mr. Becker, adding that he was very informative that day and he wants to follow up on agri-tourism, which is a key component in what they need to look at regarding economic stimulators of the agricultural community. Mr. Becker said they need to get into that. Commissioner Ambrosini said the motion dies due to a lack of a second and he said they will put it on the July agenda. He asked if there was any public comment on any agenda items.

Terry Kriss of Dunbar Township said he wanted to comment on Number 7, before the commissioners vote to spend taxpayers' dollars on the prison. Commissioner Ambrosini asked him to keep his comments to five minutes. Mr. Kriss said before he comments, he just wants to clarify that the need to build a new prison is because of overcrowding, a lack of beds and our county paying to house these criminals in adjacent county lockups. He said after reading all the stories in the Herald-Standard and the Tribune Review, he saw no other alternative suggested by the three county commissioners or the prison working group other than to build a new prison. He said he wanted to offer two alternatives, the first is to let a private company come in and build a new prison and maintain it. He said his second alternative would serve the needs of everyone and would be far cheaper to put into operation. He said in the past several weeks the State Correctional Institution at Greensburg began transferring prisoners and shutting down operations.

Mr. Kriss said the state-owned turnkey facility sits on 81 acres off of US Route 119 in Youngwood and has over 100,000 square feet of building space with an 860-bed capacity. He said this alternative would be a win-win for everybody, especially the hard working taxpayers of this county who they expect to shoulder the cost of paying for a prison for the next 30 years. He said most of the people in the room will be dead before the debt on the new prison will be paid off. He said \$50 million is a lot of money to spend on something that will never come back to benefit the average citizen. Mr. Kriss said to the average working taxpayer there is a big difference between want and need. He said we all want things but our budgets only let us buy what we need. He said if overcrowding and a lack of beds is a real need, then SCI-Greensburg is their answer. He said he is sure the state does not want the burden of a shuttered facility and would be more than eager to help the county make this happen. He said if they could solicit Senator Kasunic before the election, they could solicit their fellow Democrats- Kasunic, Kula, Mahoney, Daley and Snyder- to help them make this more cost-friendly alternative happen.

Mr. Kriss said in this uncertain economy the timing is wrong to be spending \$50 million on a new prison. He said this county's workforce cannot afford to pay for this. He asked them to remember that in the past 18 months the county commissioners have already added to the county debt of \$8 million for a Motorola radio system, \$500,000 for a New World accounting system, and a 3 percent raise for more than 500 county employees. He asked how much more they think the working class of the county can afford to pay. He asked them to consider this alternative which would not only suit the needs of the overcrowding but it will also give them hundreds of extra beds that they can use to house out of county inmates. He said lastly, the papers mentioned that two sites were selected for the new prison and before they take a vote to spend money on studies and core samplings, he and others want to know where the two sites are located. He thanked them and said he would like to know his answer to the question about the two sites. Commissioner Ambrosini said he will get to those answers after everyone has had a chance to make their comments.

Sheriff Gary Brownfield said he is also the chairman of the Fayette County Prison Board and has been for the past 14 ½ years. He said he wanted to give credit to the

warden for the study for the new facility. He said he has seen hundreds of thousands of dollars spent to house our prisoners. He said he wanted to congratulate whoever is responsible, the commissioners, to finally take some type of action. He said the prison is a dungeon and he hears every day from corrections officers about the working conditions. He said the state institution shut down because it is in much need of repairs and the state can't afford to repair it and that is why they are shutting it down. He said if the facility is built and built properly, he feels they could house other county prisoners and also federal prisoners. He said the feds are paying \$100 a day to house their prisoners and that would more than make up. Commissioner Zapotosky asked if he said that Greensburg is shutting down because the facility... with Sheriff Brownfield saying he believes that is the reason, adding that they had to have a good reason to shut it down. He said he is in charge of transportation and so far they have moved 14,000 prisoners 1.5 million miles.

Sheriff Brownfield also asked the board to keep the current facility so he can bring the prisoners back a week before court week instead of getting everybody back in one day because they are entitled to talk to their attorney. He said the prison is totally obsolete and prisoners have to be taken outside because there is no sally port and there is no security whatsoever so he has two deputies transport prisoners. He said he has seen elderly people waiting to see people who are incarcerated sitting there in the rain and the snow and they are being punished for something they have never done. He said he just wanted to say thank you and he hopes that they move forward. Evelyn Hovanec said her comments are basically directed toward money as that is her major concern. She said the current budget for the county is around \$29 million a year and the county is about to go into debt for double that. She said if somebody tells you, because she has been there, that they are only going to have to pay \$40 million, that is usually the bare bones thing but by the time you add everything else on and the interest rates go up and somebody made a mistake on the plan and you have to add this, before you are over, you have doubled it.

Mrs. Hovanec said whatever they are telling them, they may as well just double it. She said at a \$29 million budget yearly, you went out and bought a house. She said when she bought a house they told her she needed twice the amount in her salary for the cost of the house, and that was a long time ago and she cared for her money. She said now "we just spend it freely." She said she is asking herself how they can build a prison and borrow \$30 or \$40 million knowing it is going to go up to \$60 or \$80 million when your salary is \$29 million. She said that is with the increase already before they even talk about increases. She said she doesn't think they can afford it and she understands the sheriff's concern, they all have that concern, but who is going to pay for this. She said 30 years from now somebody is going to be standing there saying that they can't afford this prison because it isn't going to be paid for. Mrs. Hovanec said she knows what happened here, they thought they were going to get rich on the impact fee and income from Nemaquin taxes. She said they are not and the impact fee has already been reduced by a couple of hundred thousand dollars. She said the gas industry is a lot like the coal industry as it will go up and it will go down.

Mrs. Hovanec said it is a constant up and down and those of us who have lived long enough remember what would happen, we would have boom and we would have bust. She said she was a kid at that time and she remembered what would happen and her dad would be working 20 hours a day practically and then all of a sudden her dad was home and they were living off the money he made prior. She said if they didn't have any money he made prior then they better make sure they have a big garden that year and hoped that they would survive. She said today it is a whole different thing but the money is still the problem. She said they have to have enough to do it and if they would start saving the money that they would use to defray the costs because she doesn't know what a new site is going to cost. She said it could cost a fortune unless they use county land and even if they do then they may be using it for non-taxable purposes. She said the other part is that she isn't sure they need this. She said from what she can see the increase that they have is coming from the 7,000 unserved bench warrants that are now being served. She said there is an influx of people coming in and what they need isn't full time incarceration, they need a way to get people to pay their fines.

Mrs. Hovanec said the ones that have drinking problems don't need to go to prison, they need to go to rehab. She said those that have a drug problem don't need to go to prison, they need to go to rehab. She said she would rather spend her money that way than by building a brand new spanking new prison and it is going to cost God knows what when they are finished, by the time they furnish it, and put up all the accoutrements that they have to do. She said state law requires things and you have to have ramps and have to do certain toilet seats, it's amazing. She said to her, she doesn't think this is a good expenditure of money. She said, more than that, at this point she doesn't think that any of us have sufficient information. She said here we sit and had one meeting of board members and citizens and she is thinking, who are the citizens? Are they just your average Joe who is going to come out and say they don't think they can afford that or are all these committed people who want this done, she asked.

Mrs. Hovanec said 129-year-old prison does need some help. She said on the other hand she says to herself that if someone is in prison she isn't worried about whether or not they are comfortable, only that they are safe and fed. She said she isn't going to worry about that and she doesn't think most citizens can worry about that so she is suggesting that she would love to see some other options before they make any kind of distribution of money on a plan that nobody has seen. She said if they want this, "then give us your plan." She asked for public meetings so the public can talk to them and ask questions. She said she would have preferred to have someone on the committee who wasn't involved in the law or the judiciary. She said they have a slanted opinion, we all know that, and she would too if she were in their position. She said there are other views that haven't even been considered. She said someone said to her that they could move out to the Army reserve place on Route 21. She said it is sitting there growing weeds are there are two nice, brick buildings there with nothing around it but a cemetery and some trees. She asked what is wrong with using that as a temporary prison. "Talk to the Army, maybe they will sell it to us cheap," Mrs. Hovanec said. She said they don't like to keep stuff around either. She said that could be their day prison.

Commissioner Zapotosky said the Army doesn't have it anymore, it is under the General Services Administration and he has talked to them. Mrs. Hovanec said she is glad to hear that, adding that those are the kinds of options we need to have. She said once there are three or four options and the budgets that will go with them and how much it will cost. She said everybody thought they were going to make a lot of money on natural gas. Commissioner Ambrosini asked Mrs. Hovanec to wrap it up, adding that she is over her five minute allocation. She said she is simply saying that they are not ready to make that decision and they and she need more information. She recommended that everyone tells the commissioners how they feel about this. "They haven't heard you, they have heard themselves," she said.

Michael Cavanagh said he wanted to also speak about Number 7 on the agenda. He confirmed that it is a resolution, and asked if it has been made available for the public to view before it is voted on. Commissioner Zapotosky said that is the resolution, what is listed on the agenda. Mr. Cavanagh said there is no information as to where or what. Commissioner Zapotosky said there is no information, that is a part of this process. He said this resolution will allow for the next step and the next step and the next step, which will all have to be approved. He said this doesn't construct a prison it just authorizes us to spend funds in which revenues to take the steps for a study to do core samplings and that sort of thing. "We're not pouring any concrete any time soon," Commissioner Zapotosky said. Mr. Cavanagh asked if sites are selected, and Commissioner Zapotosky said he hasn't voted on a site yet. Mr. Cavanagh said they are voting to spend money to do samples of ground. Commissioner Zapotosky said there could be samples, plural, and there could be several samples. Mr. Cavanagh said there aren't any sites selected?

Commissioner Ambrosini said there have been 14 sites that have been looked at. Mr. Cavanagh asked how many there are and Commissioner Ambrosini said there may be more. Mr. Cavanagh asked how many at this time they will be spending money to study. Commissioner Ambrosini said no money will be spent until it is determined that a site is viable. He said they are looking at a lot of sites and they have been for some time now so it is an ongoing process. He said he would expect them to come up with additional sites before they select one. Commissioner Zapotosky said they always have the ability to refer back to the two previous studies that were conducted by the county where they was a plethora of information that the county had spent large amounts of money on previously that basically recommended and prophesized that the population would be this high during this particular calendar year. He said this isn't old and they are going to learn from the mistakes and good decisions that others had made in the previous studies. He said they have a lot of work with and this isn't a new issue.

Mr. Cavanagh said when he first heard about this was the first time he met Mr. Ambrosini. He said he was nominated for commissioner in the Democrat primary but he was not elected yet. He said he first met him at a business not too far from here and he got off the phone with the district attorney at the time and he wasn't even elected yet and he said that he just got off the phone with the District Attorney Jack Heneks and we

have to build a new prison here in Fayette County. Commissioner Ambrosini said that is not correct. Mr. Cavanagh said that is correct and he had witnesses there. He said this has been his baby since before he even took the oath of office and were sworn in and he was talking about building this prison. Commissioner Ambrosini said that is incorrect and he isn't going to sit and debate this issue. He said if he has some public comments, please make them and then sit down. Mr. Cavanagh said if they are adopting a resolution it can't just be a one-line thing, there should be made available and they should probably not do this. He said they might want to ask their solicitor if this is being done correctly, turning to Mr. Burkley. Commissioner Ambrosini told Mr. Cavanagh he was permitted to stand up and make comments and he had five minutes and he now has about a minute and a half left. Commissioner Zapotosky said he was just referring to the fact that they had previous studies to refer to help them with the process. Mr. Cavanagh said he wanted to reply back and Commissioner Ambrosini said this isn't a debate, he has a chance to make comments and please take your seat. Mr. Cavanagh said he believes that it is a predetermined thing with him and he has said it from the first time he met him because Commissioner Ambrosini figured out who he was and he said something about his brother being a pay to play commissioner and it has been obvious since then that.

Commissioner Ambrosini said he isn't discussing the agenda item, with Mr. Cavanagh saying that he would discuss the agenda item because he was the first one to bring it to his attention. Commissioner Zapotosky said with all due respect, discussing the issue is fine but discussing issues regarding previous administrations, the commissioner's comments when he and nobody else in the room heard them, the fact of the matter is it is an important issue that they need to address. He said he is absolutely correct about that. He said this step only allows them to take the next step and they then have to make a determination about feasibility, location and there are a number of variables that come into play. He said the thing that they can't ignore is the problem and that is what happened and that is what got them to 348 and \$900,000 or \$800,000, whatever the cost is in out of county rentals, that is what they can't afford to ignore any more. He said they have to do something or the state is going to come down and shut the thing down eventually and then they are going to have costs that will escalate because we're going to build it the way the state wants us to build it, not the way they need to build it in a cost effective manner that fits our current population and the projections of populations in future years. He said he knows it and they can demagogue and politicize this all they want, and that is fine that is part of the game and he understands but the reality is they can't ignore this problem and if they do they will subject not only the county but other people to situations that may occur there that they may not have a second chance on.

Mr. Cavanagh said he doesn't consider this a game and Commissioner Zapotosky said he is talking about the political side of it and he knows what they all do here and they all come here and have fun. Mr. Cavanagh said all options should be reviewed. He asked about adding on to the existing prison at a much less cost rather than going and selecting a site. He said if they select a site 20 miles away they have to consider all the other additional costs of transportation to bring these people back and forth. Commissioner Zapotosky said they are being looked at and will be looked at even more

thoroughly. Mr. Cavanagh said there isn't enough information out there and they are voting to expend funds. Commissioner Zapotosky said they are voting to expend funds to take the next step they aren't voting to build anything yet at this time. Mr. Cavanagh said he didn't have anything further and Commissioner Ambrosini asked if there were any more prison issue comments. Mrs. Hovanec said she didn't even want to spend this money until she sees something else. She said they don't need money to plan, they can plan.

Commissioner Ambrosini said he appreciates that and wanted to make a few comments. He said he thinks that any reasonable person understands first of all that our 124-year-old prison is undersized and they cannot house the number of inmates that we have for the county. He said last month they housed 90 inmates outside of the county because we don't have room here. He said that is a pretty substantial cost and he said he will repeat this. He said last month we had 68 inmates in Greene County and Greene County had 62 inmates there so we actually had more inmates in Greene County than they did. He said he can assure everyone that the commissioners in Greene County are more than happy to house our inmates and that is because we are paying their mortgage payment. He said there are a whole bunch of reasons and the overcrowding is just one reason but it isn't the important one. He said the important reason that we need a new facility is not even because our prison is old and obviously it can't even meet building code. He said when the prison was built it wasn't even electrified, they had gas lamps. He said that tells you it is a little bit old.

Commissioner Ambrosini said there are doorways that are made of stone that are three feet thick that they don't meet ADA requirements. He said it would be cost prohibitive to try to renovate that prison to meet current building standards. He said there are additional reasons why they can't expand that facility because they can't even use the current methods of prison supervision which is the direct supervisory method. He said it is impossible and to do that the current prison is not safe not only for the inmates but also for the corrections officers. He said this is a tough choice, there is no question, but what they are doing by establishing this prison working group last November and they have invited the press to be at every one of the meetings. He said to the best of his knowledge after each meeting there was a story in the newspapers as to the things that were conducted in that meeting. He said the most important thing and he wants people to understand this and the most important reason they need a new facility is to help people. He said we cannot provide the programming in our existing facility to help people whether it be behavioral health. He said 25 percent of our inmates have behavioral health problems.

Commissioner Ambrosini said there are not adequate classrooms because we don't have any classrooms in our existing facility and we don't even have suitable counseling rooms. He said in the existing facility they are using closet space for office space. He said he could go on and on but they have established a prison working group made up of a wide range of individuals. He said they have four teams; the criminal justice team, the architectural team, the finance team and the programming team. He said the programming team is in his estimation the most important because those are the people who are coming up with the state of the art programs to help people, whether it is the

things he mentioned including some abilities to help people to do simple things; teach people how to do some life skills. He said there are people in the prison that can't even write a check. He said they have to help people get a GED in some cases. He said if we don't help people that are in our current facility we are doing nothing more than warehousing them. He said those people come out on the street with no options and they will do the same things over and over again and be right back.

Commissioner Ambrosini said over 50 percent of the population is between the ages of 18 and 26 and majority of those have been back in the prison two and three times. He said if we don't make those people understand why they are there and what mistakes they have made and what bad choices they have made in their lives and then give them some options as to and they are working on the some programs such as the work release programs where inmates can learn a skill and then go to work for that facility after they get out of jail. He said there are a lot of things that they can do but they can't do it in our current facility. He said the four teams that he mentioned have been working diligently since last November and they have come up with a lot of information and they have even taken tours with other state of the art prisons. He said first of all he has to make one comment and it goes to the resolution. He said in any project, first of all the cost of the prison will likely be in the neighborhood of \$30 million. He said he appreciates the 50 and the double and triple comments but those are uninformed comments. He said the reason for the resolution is simply an accounting holding place to put some of the preliminary work that may require some funding expenditures.

Commissioner Ambrosini said you don't go out and issue a bond for \$30 million now. He said that will happen sometime down the road but there are minor expenditures that you might need to do now and what this allows is it allows those expenditures to be rolled over into the bond issue maybe a year from now or whenever that may happen. He said wherever they borrow the money from now it gets reimbursed through the bond issue, that's all this is. He said he thinks in terms of the site locations, they have looked at 14 sites and since they started new sites pop up all the time so they will probably continue to look at additional sites, it's just part of the process. He said they don't have a white board here, but he would get up and draw some diagrams but the fact of the matter is when you plan a project the more money you spend in planning reduces the cost of overruns and unknowns when you actually construct a project. He said the more planning you do, the less construction cost and that is a standard program management procedure. He said unfortunately now the cost of rentals outside the county are going up and if the trend continues and they suspect it will. He said they have 90, which is a record, this month, we have our current President Judge has already said he wants to get people on outstanding warrants and that is going to add to the cost of the situation. He said that is fine because we want to get people off the street that don't belong there.

Commissioner Ambrosini said they also need to help these people. He said the people in the county jail are only there for a maximum of 23 ½ months, anything more than that and they go to a state or a federal facility. He said our opportunity to help these people with these lesser crimes is paramount. He said they have to stop warehousing people. He said they have the technology and ability to do that and what that does is make productive citizens out of people. He said he doesn't know of

anybody who doesn't want to provide for themselves and their families. He said we can provide them opportunities and options to do this. He said they obviously need to be working in this direction and in addition it takes people off the streets for breaking into your house and stealing your TV set or other crimes. He said it gets people off of drugs and those are the things we need to focus on. He said let's keep our eyes on the ball, he said building a facility to keep these people in is secondary to the real issues here.

Mrs. Hovanec said she has paid school taxes for the last 40 years to educate these people and they have had 12 years and we have been unsuccessful apparently. What makes you think you are going to turn it around in 24 months, she asked. She said she doesn't think that he can and she doesn't think there is anything you or the prison can do. She said it is a societal problem and it has to be dealt with by society. Commissioner Ambrosini said unfortunately doing nothing is not an option. Mrs. Hovanec said building a prison isn't the answer and she knows that isn't what she wanted to hear. Commissioner Ambrosini said she doesn't want to hear, to which Mrs. Hovanec said she is uninformed except she spent 40 years working with people and he spent 40 years working with things and she said working with things isn't going to solve the problem. Commissioner Ambrosini said she is also misinformed with what he did during his career.

Commissioner Ambrosini said the things that are looming out there, he can assure her that the Pennsylvania State Department of Corrections is watching us very closely and the feedback he is getting is that they like what we are doing and they like this team approach to solving this problem but he can assure her that the prison reports from the Department of Corrections are less than stellar. He said if we get to a point where the Department of Corrections walks in and padlocks our jail and we have to send everybody out the costs are going to be staggering. "It's better to control your own destiny than to have somebody else come in and tell you what to do," Commissioner Ambrosini said. He said we are doing that in a very systematic project management controlled situation. He said the people on the prison working group are across the board from private individuals to county employees to faith-based organizations. He said they have a wide range of knowledgeable and skillful people and they are volunteering their time to support what we really need to do to help people in this county. He said he cannot emphasize that enough and since last November they probably have in excess of 3,000 hours that has been expended on this team effort and from volunteers and county employees alike. He said nobody gets any extra compensation for this, they do it in addition to their jobs or whatever. He said if there are not any other comments, they will move on. There were no additional public comments.

Proclamations/Recognitions

Certificate of Recognition to the Fayette County Law Library Art Program

Commissioner Ambrosini read a recognition certificate for the Fayette County Law Library Art Program. Assistant Law Librarian Barbara Pasqua said she got national recognition after her article was published and the art program in the law library is open to the public and they are located on the second floor of the courthouse and every

month they have a new artist and she is currently booking for August of 2017, so that is how many artists there are in the county. She thanked all the commissioners and judges who made the program possible and she wanted to thank all her artists who made it a success. Law Librarian Barry Blaine said he wanted to make his observations of the artists program. He said every month he looks forward to meeting the artist and viewing their artwork and noticing the people who come into the law library to view and enjoy the artworks. He said there are people that may have had no reason to visit the law library but the artist program brings them into the law library and in the courthouse.

Behavioral Health Administration

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve the following agreements and modifications:

	<u>Contract Value</u>	<u>Period</u>
<u>Modification Agreements #1 2012-2013</u>		
Crosskeys Human Services, Inc.	\$1,128,851	7/1/12-6/30/13

<u>Base Contract Agreement 2013-2014</u>		
Connellsville Counseling and Psychological Svcs. 7/1/13-6/30/14	\$7,000	

<u>EI Contract Agreement 2013-2014</u>		
Connellsville Counseling and 6/30/14 Psychological Services	(Commonwealth Funded)	7/1/13-

<u>Professional Service Agreements 2013-2014</u>		
Connellsville Counseling and Psychological Svcs. 6/30/14	\$500	7/1/13-
Russell B. Korner, Esquire 6/30/14	\$21,750	7/1/13-
David B. Reiss, Attorney-at-Law	\$185/hr.	7/1/13-6/30/14
Vitalink Computers and Supplies 6/30/14	\$1,300	7/1/13-
WJS Psychological Associates Inc. 6/30/14	\$500	7/1/13-

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
 Commissioner Zapotosky yes
 Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

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Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink abstain

Motion passed 2-0

Behavioral Health Administration

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to grant approval to advertise for bids for the leasing of two 2014 Ford Fusion or 2014 Chevrolet Malibu sedans (or equivalent model) for Fayette County Behavioral Health Administration to replace vehicles that are nearing lease end.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Children & Youth Services:

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve a **FY2012-13 Purchase of Service Agreement** between the County of Fayette, through Fayette County Children & Youth Services & **Amanda Como, Esquire**, 92 East Main Street, Suite 20, Uniontown, PA 15401 to represent the interest of children in dependency proceedings. The rate for the service is \$65.00 per hour.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve the **FY2012-13 Purchase of Service Agreement** between the County of Fayette, through Fayette County Children & Youth Services / Fayette County Juvenile Probation, and **Crossroads Group Homes & Services, Inc.**, 1243 Roemer Boulevard, Farrell, PA 16121 for group home placement services on an as needed basis. The rates are as follows:

Initial Clothing - \$250.00

Cert. #401940 – Unit # GI – Service for girls \$ 146.39 per day
Cert. #409170 - Unit # BO – service for boys \$ 120.39 per day

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve a **FY2013-14 Purchase of Service Agreement** between the County of Fayette through Fayette County Children and Youth Services / Fayette County Juvenile Probation, and **Crossroads Group Homes & Services, Inc.**, 1243 Roemer Boulevard, Farrell, PA 16121 for group home placement services on an as needed basis. The rates are as follows:

Initial Clothing - \$250.00

Cert. #401940 – Unit # GI – service for girls \$ 146.39 per day
Cert. #409170 - Unit # BO – service for boys \$ 120.39 per day

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Controller

Controller Sean 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: 18-Jun-13

CASH: Checking Account United Bank \$10,086,987.25

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	
			\$ 234,171.17

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	
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Budget Year Net Position \$6,839,844.42

		Year to Date
Total 2013 Revenues	\$	19,468,244.24
Total 2013 Expenditures	\$	11,807,903.78
Total 2012 Expenditures paid in 2013	\$	3,287,640.10

Capital Reserve Fund Balance \$ 33,583.62

Bond Fund Balance \$ 209,011.20

Commissioner Zapotosky said the county has gotten good news regarding rates of reimbursement regarding monies due to CYS. Controller Lally said he and Commissioner Ambrosini went to Harrisburg and Commissioner Zapotosky was on the telephone and they negotiated with the CYS director and the governor's advocate and they agreed to refund the 2010 and 2011 underpayment of the county in the amount of \$1.15 million. Commissioner Zapotosky said that was the overmatch, which Controller Lally confirmed. Controller Lally said that was money they had been holding for years and that was a very welcome addition to our fund. Commissioner Ambrosini agreed and adding that he and Controller Lally went to Harrisburg and Commissioner Zapotosky and CYS director Gina D'Auria couldn't attend because of work-related items in the county but they did attend via conference call in that meeting. He said the reason they made the effort to go there is because they had received some information that we probably would not receive that reimbursement. He said that was money borrowed out of the general fund to pay Children and Youth Services to provide their services for the kids of the county. He said that was critical and that was an effort to protect not only CYS but the taxpayers of this county. He said he applauds everyone's participation.

Commissioner Zapotosky said State Rep. Tim Mahoney is the one who coordinated everything and he wanted to express gratitude to him. Commissioner Ambrosini said Rep. Mahoney was able to get the right people in the right place to meet with so that was a big supporting effort and he appreciates Rep. Mahoney's efforts also.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to adopt a resolution to utilize 2013 county revenue for site surveys, permit issues and any incurred bond issuance or other costs for the possible construction of a new county prison.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink no

Motion passed 2-1

District Attorney:

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to ratify a subscription agreement between Advent Financial Systems LLC of Elizabethtown, Kentucky and Fayette County to manage insufficient funds checks issued to retail merchants and other check payees.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Emergency Management Agency:

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve the 2012 Fayette County Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Preparedness Assessment as per State Act 165.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to renew the Service Agreement with Staley Communications for the following equipment, 2 Alcatel Microwave Shots and 2 Alcatel Microwave half shots at the cost of \$2,660 per month.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Zapotosky said he was talking with Roy (Shipley) and Guy (Napolillo) the other day and the Motorola project is progressing according to the time frame. He said this was done because if they wouldn't have done it our 911 system would have ceased to exist in a few years because the current system does not have replaceable parts plus there was not a need but a requirement to do that or we would not have a 911 system. Commissioner Ambrosini said in addition, we are partnering with the other counties in Region 13 to share some of the equipment which allows us to keep the cost lower, so it is a partnering type program and cooperation helps us not only have a state of the art system which protects people but also protects our taxpayers as well.

Human Resource Department:

Bridge

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve the temporary hire of Colin Boyle as a Bridge worker I at \$11.04/hr. effective June 19, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink abstain

Motion passed 2-0

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve the hire of Bruce Klink as a mechanic/welder at SEIU Pay Grade 8 Step A \$11.82/hr. (\$24,585.60 annually) effective July 1, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioners Office

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to rescind the hire of Lauren Van Nosedeln as a Summer Clerk.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink abstain

Motion passed 2-0

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve the hire of Christian Seseck as a Summer Clerk at \$7.25/hr. effective June 20, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink abstain

Motion passed 2-0

CYS

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve the promotion of Caseworker Janell Harris, to a Casework Supervisor at Non-Union Supervisory Pay Grade 16 Step B, \$42,451.50 annually, effective June 19, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

EMA

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve the promotion of 911 Dispatcher Michael Perry to Equipment

Systems Analyst at non-union/supervisory Pay Grade 10 at \$13.05/hr. (\$27,144 annually), effective June 18, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to table the promotion of Part Time 911 Dispatcher, TBD, to Full Time 911 Dispatcher at SEIU 911 Scale Pay Grade 9 TBD rate effective TBD.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

FACT

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to ratify the resignation of Part Time Bus Driver, Harry Rittenhour, effective May 18, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve the hire of James Shoemaker as a Part Time Bus Driver at a rate of \$11.40/hr. effective June 17, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Human Resources

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to table approving the collective bargaining agreement between the County of Fayette Board of Commissioners and Court-appointed employees represented by United Mine Workers of America (UMWA) for the period of January 1, 2013- December 31, 2015.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

In making the motion, Commissioner Zapotosky said the contract was not ratified, which he confirmed with Commissioner Zimmerlink that they voted it down.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve the volunteer internship of Penn State Fayette student Rebecca Johnson effective June 24, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

FCBHA

A motion was made by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to approve ratifying the resignation of Jo A. Cupplo, Clerk Typist 2, effective June 14, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Veteran Affairs

A motion was made by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to ratify the resignation of Per Diem Van Driver, Eugene Barchetti, effective June 6, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Information Technology:

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to reject all proposals received for RFP 13-07, computer needs assessment.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Prior to making a motion, Commissioner Zapotosky said he wanted to make a motion to table, saying it was going to be reviewed by (IT Director) Kebin Holbert, then saying they were rejecting it and made that motion.

Office of Human and Community Services:

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to award RFQ 13-01 to the following:

Brownsville Republic Fixed Route to Brownsville Bus Lines at \$48.00 for FY 13-14 and \$50.00 for FY 14-15.

Brownsville Express Fixed Route to Brownsville Bus Lines at \$48.00 for FY 13-14 and \$50.00 for FY 14-15.

Masontown/Fairchance Fixed Route to Central Cab Co at \$51.75 for FY 13-14 and \$53.15 for FY 14-15.

Wharton Township, Henry Clay Township and Stewart Township shared ride service to Mountain Citizens Action Group for FY 13-14 and 14-15 at shared ride fare structure reimbursement rates.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to award Bid 13-08 for the sale of the following:

129	1BAGBCPA53F211053	BLUEBIRD	B & G Auto	\$859.00
133	1FMDU34X4SUB06344	EXPLORER	Carrie Morrison	\$600.00
149	1FDXE45P77DA58750	FORD	B & G Auto	\$201.00
161	1FDXE45PX9DA74231	FORD	Sulli Motors	\$2526.00

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve Third Party Sponsorship agreements for FY 13-14 with Fayette County Blind Association, Chestnut Ridge Counseling, Southwestern Pennsylvania Area Agency on Aging, St Therese Church, Uniontown Hospital, ARC.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve a contract with Fayette County Community Action Agency for administration of food bank program for FY 13-14.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve the advertising agreements for FY 13-14 as listed.

Froggy 94.9 monthly cost of	\$1,332.00
Pickle 99.3 monthly cost of	\$ 912.00
Comcast monthly cost of	\$2,122.00
WLSW Radio monthly cost of	\$ 200.00
WMBS Radio monthly cost of	\$ 487.66
WKVE Radio monthly cost of	\$ 900.00
Senior Times monthly cost of	\$ 89.44
Herald Standard average monthly cost not to exceed	\$1,200.00

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve the following service agreements for FY 13-14 as listed:

Fleet Computing		\$ 550
Route Match Software	\$38,609	
Route Match AVL		\$24,428

Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Public Works:

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to award Bid 13-10 for grass cutting, trash removal and inspections to the following as listed:

Dunlap Dam Burnt Cabin Branch to Goodwill SWPA of Uniontown for \$3,420.00

Dunlap Creek Park to Goodwill SWPA of Uniontown for \$66,025.00

Jacobs Creek Park to Goodwill SWPA of Uniontown for \$84,800.00

Searights Tollhouse to Goodwill SWPA of Uniontown for \$2,565.00

County Home Cemetery to Goodwill SWPA of Uniontown for \$2,850.00

Masontown / German Twp. Park to Joseph C. Krysak Jr. of Masontown for \$38,700.00

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Prior to making a second, Commissioner Zimmerlink clarified that it wasn't just for grass cutting.

Tax Claim:

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to remove parcel number 12-03-0217 in Fayette City Borough from the repository bid list because it was incorrectly placed in the repository list and consider approval to reject the bid of Francis M. Siri for \$526 for the parcel.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioners:

Board appointments

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to appoint George Franks to the business category of the Workforce Investment Board for a term to expire December 31, 2015.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Prior to a motion, Commissioner Ambrosini asked if they interviewed for the appointments. Commissioner Zapotosky said they did interviews for the WIB. Commissioner Zimmerlink said they interviewed two individuals for the WIB board and the board sent in a letter that had three other names and those individuals weren't called in for interviews.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to appoint Joe Putila to the business category of the Workforce Investment Board for a term to expire December 31, 2015.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Ambrosini and seconded by Commissioner Zapotosky to table an appointment to the Fayette County Redevelopment Authority for a 5-year-term to expire in July 2018.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Prior to a motion, Commissioner Ambrosini said he didn't think they had a chance to interview for the position.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to ratify the following transfers:

**TRANSFERS
2013
5/21/13 to 6/4/13**

Department	Cost Center	Credit	Debit
Building and Grounds			
Contract services	01417453011		\$4,540
R&M Building	01417453730	\$4,540	
R&M Building	50417453730		\$9,455
R&M Building	01417453730	\$9,455	
Clerk of Courts			
Materials/supplies	01419152000		\$1,000
Association Dues	01419154200	\$1,000	
Court Security			
Training	01418953350		\$2,800
Equipment	01418952300	\$1,850	
Uniforms	01418952735	\$950	
Records Improvement			
Professional Services	0141110153115		\$3,753
Contract services	19419056000	\$3,753	
Total Debits	\$21,548		
Total Credits	\$21,548		

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
 Commissioner Zapotosky yes
 Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to approve the May 23, 2013 regular commissioner meeting minutes.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
 Commissioner Zapotosky yes
 Commissioner Zimmerlink abstain

Motion passed 2-0

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to authorize a termination of lease letter to the landlords for Magisterial Districts 14-2-01 and 14-3-04, effective December 31, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
 Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Ambrosini asked for a motion to take no action on the following items:

Consider rescinding the Commissioner Meeting Minutes of March 19, 2013 and
Consider accepting the corrected Commissioner Meeting Minutes for March 19, 2013.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to reject rescinding the Commissioner Meeting Minutes of March 19, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes

Commissioner Zapotosky yes

Commissioner Zimmerlink abstain

Motion passed 2-0

After the vote, Commissioner Zapotosky said there is nothing to correct. He asked Solicitor Burkley if there was anything to correct. Solicitor Burkley said there was the issue of something that was added. Chief Clerk Revak said there was something in the minutes that should not have been. Commissioner Zapotosky said that is correct because his motion at the March meeting did not reflect in the minutes so they need to amend that, to which Solicitor Burkley agreed. Commissioner Zapotosky said in March he made a motion that they allocate a percentage of dollars to the townships and there were some other organizations there as well. He said that motion did not reflect any requirement for a match or anything of that nature. He said somehow that language on that had changed but his motion did not reflect any specific requirements to that effect. Commissioner Zapotosky asked if the motion with the specific percentages was available. He said he allocated 10 percent to the townships, four percent to the fire departments, one percent to the Connellsville Chamber, two percent to the Fayette Chamber, and then he said he did Community Action, adding that he didn't know what he did and he will find out.

Commissioner Zapotosky said it was 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 and that was his motion and obviously they need the minutes of March 2013 to reflect said motion. Solicitor Burkley said they need to, with Commissioner Zapotosky saying "correct the minutes." Solicitor Burkley said they needed to pass the motion to rescind the commissioner meeting minutes of March 19, 2013 and then the next motion would be to consider accepting the corrected minutes. Solicitor Burkley said Chief Clerk Revak was looking at him and Commissioner Zapotosky said they should have jumped in and asked what action needs to be taken. Commissioner Ambrosini said they need to "rescind the rescindtion"

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to rescind the previous motion that rejected rescinding the Commissioner Meeting Minutes of March 19, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink abstain

Motion passed 2-0

Prior to a vote, there was a brief discussion about the need to change the resolution as well.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to rescind the Commissioner Meeting Minutes of March 19, 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to correct the minutes of March 19, 2013 to reflect a motion made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to grant the 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 1 percent for Fayette County Community Action Agency for a total of 25 percent for 2013 Act 13 money to delete the words "specific matching funds and application process."

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Zapotosky said prior to voting on the motion that was his motion to disburse those funds he said if they discuss anything else, that has to be discussed at another time but that was his motion on that day. Commissioner Zimmerlink said the motion on the agenda states to consider accepting the corrected Commissioner Meeting minutes for March 19, 2013. Commissioner Zapotosky said he is making the motion he made that day which was a verbal, to which Commissioner Zimmerlink said that is not correcting the minutes. She said what needs to be done is that the resolution needs to be corrected to eliminate the part that requires application for specific projects and

matching funds. Commissioner Zapotosky said he didn't read that. Commissioner Ambrosini said he didn't read that and the minutes had another part added to it during the transcription and that was the error and not the actual motion. Commissioner Zimmerlink said all that has to be done is to correct the Commissioner Meeting Minutes for March 19, 2013 to reflect deleting any notation regarding, with Commissioner Zapotosky saying specific matching funds and application process, with Commissioner Zimmerlink saying "period."

Commissioner Zapotosky said he read his motion the way he wanted it to be reflected. Commissioner Zimmerlink said the motion is on the agenda, with Commissioner Zapotosky saying he was omitting those words out of there. Solicitor Burkley said he believes what he did was corrected it in accordance with what he actually said at the March 19, 2013 meeting. He said he wanted to add to the motion to omit that it requires application for specific project and matching funds. Chief Clerk Revak said it is a matter of minutes and resolutions and the resolution has to be changed as well. Commissioner Zimmerlink asked how many pages on the minutes, with Chief Clerk Revak replying 30. Commissioner Zimmerlink said the minutes are 30-some pages and the only thing they are correcting out of 30 pages of minutes and this is the agenda item is to delete any notation from the minutes of March 19, 2013 regarding application for specific projects. She said that in itself allows the Chief Clerk to go through and delete five words "requires application for specific project for matching funds," or six words. She said that is all that needs to be done because what is before us is correcting the minutes of the March 19, 2013 meeting, that's it. She said it is not on the agenda but they still have to address the resolution that was passed and signed. Commissioner Ambrosini said the resolution never had these words in it and Commissioner Zimmerlink said yes it did.

Commissioner Zapotosky said there is a motion on the floor to make the change of the meeting minutes then they have to go back and eliminate the resolution. Mrs. Hovanec said she would like to know why that happened. Terry Kriss asked who inserted the language after the resolution. Commissioner Ambrosini said it was inadvertently put on a hard copy. Mrs. Hovanec said that couldn't be inadvertent. Commissioner Ambrosini said it was probably an older draft copy. Commissioner Zapotosky said it could have been the possibility that they looked at grant applications and inserted it based on traditional requirements of grants. Mrs. Hovanec said a transcriptionist doesn't do that. Commissioner Zapotosky said he is here to correct it and it was his motion, he made the motion, and his motion he wanted to reflect accurately in the record and it is going to reflect accurately in the record. He said there could have been what ifs and what happened and it could have been that the Chief Clerk looked at grant applications and just assumed there were match application requirements, he doesn't know but the bottom line is that his intent on that day was to disburse 25 percent in accordance to his motion and that is what he wants to correct and move on.

Mr. Kriss asked if he was angry and upset that was put in the motion because obviously he angered and upset people in the room. Commissioner Zapotosky said anger and upset is a motion that is counterproductive to get anything good done. He

said if he was angry and upset every time he walked into a commissioner affiliated venue whether it be a meeting or something, nothing would get done. He said he wants to move anger and upset away from it and talk about good things and getting solutions solved. He said that is part of this right now is to solve a problem and not to get angry and upset and point the finger and blame somebody for it, he said that's called passing the buck, in response to a comment from Mrs. Hovanec about anger and upset. Commissioner Ambrosini banged his gavel and said this isn't a debate, this is a business meeting and we will conduct it as such. He then called for a vote.

Solicitor Burkley said he thinks they need to change the resolution, which Commissioner Zapotosky agreed. Commissioner Zapotosky said he wanted to amend, with Commissioner Zimmerlink saying that is why she brought it up at last Tuesday's meeting so they could address those issues. Commissioner Zapotosky said he also wants to amend the agenda to amend the resolution.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to amend the agenda for the purpose of amending Resolution 13-03-19-40 for monies to be disbursed for Act 13 revenue for 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Ambrosini asked if there was any public comment on the motion. A.J. Boni, Perry Township Supervisor, thanked the commissioners for righting the wrong and correcting the wording, after being advised by commissioner Ambrosini to keep his comments to five minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Zapotosky and seconded by Commissioner Ambrosini to amend Resolution 13-03-19-40 to delete "requires application for specific project and matching funds" for monies to be disbursed for Act 13 revenue for 2013.

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously

Public Announcements

None

Public Comments

Jack Lawver of Brownsville Borough said he would like to ask the commissioners in the future that all municipalities in Fayette County be considered in the use of these monies because they are adversely affected and he would like any future allocations that the boroughs be included in the request. He said to add something regarding the prison issue, you would think that what is happening with our society we are spending more money to house and educate prisoners than we are to educate our youth and that is why our society is going the way it is.

Commissioner Zapotosky said without any objection he would like to add to the record letters of support regarding Item No. 7 which was in regard to the possibility of construction of a new facility, from President Judge John Wagner, Sheriff Gary Brownfield, Register of Wills Donald Redman and Recorder of Deeds Dave Malosky. Commissioner Ambrosini said there is no objection.

Brownsville Mayor Lester Ward said they already went over Act 13 for 2013 and he was most disappointed because they mentioned the townships but not the boroughs, which are also a part of Fayette County. He said in Brownsville Borough there are trucks running over their roads and they don't have gas towers but as Jack stated, in the future when you consider townships please consider us all because they are a part of Fayette County also. He thanked them for their consideration.

Jim Killinger, the architectural team leader for the prison working group, said his responsibility is site location and architectural design. He said there were a lot of comments made at the meeting and many are incorrect. He said since their first meeting on Nov. 8, 2012, four teams comprised of approximately 24 volunteers have begun to seek information on how this project can come to a final resolution. He said to that end, many hours have been devoted to include site location, architectural design, funding, programs, judicial and inmate needs are met. He said in order to ensure their work is on the right track other counties that have built new jails have been contacted and asked what they have done and what needs should be added or corrected so we can benefit from their knowledge and experience. He said he has been in contact with the Pennsylvania Department of Corrections, office of county inspections, and they provided professional insight about how the current facility doesn't meet current health, safety and welfare standards for inmates and staff.

Mr. Killinger said in addition numerous other people have been contacted and interviewed for information, all of which does not violate the consolidated statues of the Sunshine Act. He said when the group finalizes location, design, funding and programs it will be presented to the prison board for their review, presented to the public for public hearings and finally the approval of the board of commissioners. He said in the process, requests for proposals and/or bids will be necessary for the project. Mr. Killinger said the prison group chairperson is kept abreast of their work as a matter of routine and they are looking forward to a final decision that all of Fayette County will be proud of. He said information that will jeopardize the third party and their interests will remain in house in the committee until a final decision is made. He said he wanted to emphasize that there have been no final decisions made on anything. He said there are not two sites that they are looking at, as of yesterday there were 15.

Mr. Killinger said the people of Fayette County cannot miss this opportunity to build a new jail, having all points considered and decisions made. He said there is a lot of information that they are gathering and the information needs to be collected so they do this project right if it is approved. He said keep in mind that what you hear on the street from other people, just take it lightly. He said as the architectural team leader he has the information that they have collected and a lot of it today is just speculation and when the time is right and everything is done, you will hear exactly where they are at. He said if there are any other questions, he is available to answer them.

Mrs. Hovanec said she had one question regarding whether or not they had looked into a plan done previously and mentioned by Commissioner Zimmerlink about whether or not the prison meets the standards and whether or not renovations could be made, as that was another option or should be an option in this. Commissioner Zapotosky said he doesn't know how thorough that was regarding the architectural integrity and he didn't know how detailed that was. Mrs. Hovanec said they weren't talking about building a prison and she is saying there should be options other than building, that is her point and according to the report that came out a year and a half or two years ago, and asked Commissioner Zimmerlink what the group was that did the study. Commissioner Zapotosky said it was an independent body. Commissioner Zimmerlink said it was the National Institute of Corrections. Mrs. Hovanec said they came through the prison and took a good look at it and say what they thought about it. She said that was never really publicized but it was an option and she would like to see that option still there.

Commissioner Zapotosky said there was a lot of policy reviews of policies and procedures and manuals and that sort of thing. Mrs. Hovanec said it is the running of a prison and it isn't just the building and this person looked at that in some detail and at that level and that report should have some part in the considerations that you are making. Commissioner Ambrosini said that report is part of the process and will be considered by the prison working group, with Mrs. Hovanec adding, "by the public." She said they have set their mind on building a new prison, that's clear and she is saying to add the other options so people can make a true choice. She said it's like one choice to vote yes or no, that's not good enough and what they need are several options, we could renovate this, we could buy that, we could build a new prison, whatever those options are and they should have some plans on that. She said they should have what it would cost for each of those options. She said what she sees now is they have made up their mind and they are going for it.

Commissioner Ambrosini said he wanted to point out a couple things. He said the report done by the NIC representative was purely an operational assessment. Mrs. Hovanec said she still thinks they need to put it out there for people to look at. Commissioner Zapotosky said it didn't have anything to do with the specific building or renovation. Mrs. Hovanec said she wants them to put it out there and see what we need to accomplish just what they say. Commissioner Ambrosini said first of all, that is one small part of the wealth of information they have been accumulating for eight months. He said that focused on a very narrow perspective. Mrs. Hovanec said maybe that is what we need, a narrow perspective. She said they are making decisions for all of us.

Commissioner Ambrosini said they are paying a premium for prisoners to go to outside agencies. He said that is warehousing them and when they send. An unidentified man asked how much will be spent for prison planning based on the resolution approved. Mrs. Hovanec said it is open ended. Commissioner Zapotosky said there isn't an answer to that question because they haven't taken that step yet. Commissioner Zimmerlink asked him to clarify which resolution he was referring and he replied Item 7. Commissioner Ambrosini said he wanted to make it clear that we are past the study point and there have been countless studies collecting dust. He said they are at the point where they are going to progress for what they need to do for this county. He said to be clear, this account creation to accumulate any money that they will spend in preparatory work is purely a holding place to roll it into a bond issue later on. He said whatever money they spend will become part of the bond issue and then they will be reimbursed into whatever accounts we give it to.

Dan Shimshock asked if the \$30 million includes the interest, and what will be the cost. Commissioner Ambrosini said \$30 million is the cost of construction. He said until they acquire a bond issue, they won't know what the interest will be. Mrs. Hovanec said they have no idea what it will cost. Controller Lally said you have a fixed, amortization schedule and if we borrowed \$30 million of today's money, all things being equal at a rate of 3.65 percent, which is the rate as of today but that changes according to economic conditions, that payment will be \$2.3 million a year. He said taking \$2.3 million times 30 and it would be \$60 million and some-odd dollars. Mrs. Hovanec said it will cost \$60 million to borrow \$30 million and then there are the overruns. Controller Lally said that actually isn't how it works because you have the time value of money. He said \$30 million borrowed today by far at 3.65 percent will be worth less money than \$60 million in 30 years. Mrs. Hovanec said she isn't worried about that, she is worried about paying the payment of \$2 million something every year.

Commissioner Zapotosky asked Mr. Lally how much they will be paying Greene County this year, with Mrs. Hovanec saying it wasn't that much and Commissioner Zapotosky saying it will be half of that. Mrs. Hovanec said let's be real, with Commissioner Zapotosky saying, let's be real, and asked Controller Lally how much. Mrs. Hovanec threw out a few figures, adding that she doesn't know. Controller Lally said she didn't know, so would she please listen. Commissioner Zapotosky said they will pay half of what it will cost to Greene County this year. Controller Lally said as of today, the county has spent \$513,969 in out of county rentals. He said if we do nothing it will be worse than that. Commissioner Zapotosky asked if somebody is going to come in overnight and fix that thing. He said if current statistics. Mrs. Hovanec said she is worried about how much it is going to cost over the next 30 years. She said there is a budget of \$29 million and we are going to spend \$60 to \$90 million and look, we are spending out \$1 million a year and you are going to put \$2 million into that. Controller Lally said he doesn't understand that premise. Mrs. Hovanec said right now you are spending \$1 million to ship these people out and to build this new prison you will pay over \$2 million a year and she wants to know how this is going to help this county. She said it's not.

Controller Lally said he can tell how it will help the county. He said the prison expenditures for 2012 were \$6,400,000. He said in addition, \$690,153 went to outsourcing. Mrs. Hovanec said they would still have the operating cost if we have a brand new prison. Controller Lally said they would have efficiencies with a brand new system, with Mrs. Hovanec saying they wouldn't make that many efficiencies. She said she has seen it, they put in a whole new prison and you couldn't breathe and then they had to put in an air conditioning unit. Commissioner Zapotosky asked where and Mrs. Hovanec said she has seen this all before, more than once and it isn't just here. Commissioner Zapotosky asked if she worked at a prison and Mrs. Hovanec said she has seen this process. Commissioner Zapotosky said he is asking her a question, and Mrs. Hovanec said yes, if you want to call Penn State a prison.

Mrs. Hovanec said she has watched the biggest planners in the world make these plans and just watch them collapse everywhere. She said they built the second building and they dug into the ground and they did find that there was pyrite, and did they pay any attention to it? No. She said they dug a great big hole and they had to remove all the coal and then fill the hole and then build the building on top of that. Controller Lally said that is why they are doing core samplings so they don't fall into those pitfalls. Mrs. Hovanec said she doesn't even want to build that. She said there are buildings we can use, let's use them. Controller Lally said as a former contractor, our prison is not, to which Mrs. Hovanec said she doesn't trust contractors. Controller Lally said "You are an amazing woman Evelyn, that's all I have to say." Mrs. Hovanec said you don't put the whole figure out there, you put a figure out there that is attractive to the person and as you find the real variability's as you go on, you just keep adding on. Commissioner Ambrosini said that is the reason they are going through this process. Mrs. Hovanec said it isn't going to stop it.

Commissioner Ambrosini said he disagrees because project management policies are just like physical laws. Mrs. Hovanec said she knows he disagrees. Commissioner Ambrosini said if you employ physical laws, the results will be predictable, to which Mrs. Hovanec responded, no they are not because you can never see all the variables as a human being. She said she doesn't care what plan you draw up, you can't see all the variables, and if you look at your own life you will see that those variables change and things change so whenever you do this, you have to build in the extra sum to take care of whatever because you are never going to get the real cost. Commissioner Ambrosini thanked her for her expertise. Mr. Cavanagh asked about Mr. Killinger saying there were 15 sites and asked if one of the alternatives is renovating what the county has. Mr. Killinger said yes, that is one.

Mr. Kriss said he asked at the beginning of the meeting and now that they have voted to spend money, where these locations were at and you didn't want to answer and said that question would be answered later. He said Commissioner Ambrosini didn't want to answer Mr. Cavanagh, but where are the primary sites? Commissioner Ambrosini said they aren't voting to spend any money on purchasing and Mr. Kriss asked where they are going to do the core samplings. Commissioner Ambrosini said they don't know yet. Mr. Kriss asked if they are looking at the Connellsville Airport for a prison, yes or no. Mr. Killinger said the area around the airport is. He said they can't decide anything about

the airport because the FAA is involved. He said there are third party interests involved in these things and you can't answer these questions. Mrs. Hovanec said "that's my point." Mr. Killinger said there are third party interests and legal issues so he can't stand up in the room and say where all the 15 sites are. He said Dunbar Township, North Union, there are sites in those locations, and there are sites in Franklin Township. He said he can't tell them where they are or who owns them until they gather additional information. Mr. Kriss said he made it clear and picked townships. Mr. Killinger said German Township, Luzerne Township, but he can't give the exact locations. Mr. Kriss said there are five locations. Mr. Killinger said he has that information but he can't release it due to legal ramifications for the owners and the sellers.

Mr. Kriss said to clarify, the Connellsville Airport isn't on the target for the prison? Mr. Killinger said the vicinity is, with Mr. Kriss again asking if the airport it and Mr. Killinger saying the vicinity is. Mr. Kriss said to Commissioner Ambrosini that he made mention of rehabilitating prisoners, and he said he thinks that is a noble thought but he thinks he is so far off base with that. He said we all grow up and most of us had mothers and fathers to instill values in us. He said those that didn't, he feels sorry for them but we all went through an educational system who taught us right or wrong. He said we all make choices as adults to go down the right path or the wrong path. He said some choose the wrong path and those are the ones sitting over in that building right now. He said if he thinks he is going to rehabilitate those people, you are in some dream land because it is never going to happen. He said they are dyed in the wool criminals and the penal system has workshops and wood shops and put them in there and most of them come out and turn out to be losers again. He said that is the unfortunate fact. He said we all have a choice, our school system is where these people's lives need to be changed with teachers.

Mr. Kriss said we have alcohol, drug, family spousal abuse, we have all these programs in place in Fayette County, why do you want to duplicate these services in the jailhouse? He said there are lots of places for people with problems to go and get their loves sorted out and corrected. He said if he thinks he is going to change all this with a new prison, I think you are in dreamland. He said that is his story and if they are going to spend \$50 million of his money and he works hard for his money and he pays his whole ticket and he has his whole life. He said there are certain things in this county that need to be done and he would rather that they pick 50, \$1 million projects to try and help enhance our community because we all know a prison is going to bring nothing back to this county. He said it enhances nothing, it bring us no pride, and it does nothing to help any average, law abiding citizen for us to spend the \$50 million. He said it is crazy, especially when SCI Greensburg can be had for free, literally for free, for the taking. He said they could go get in and start busing there tomorrow. He said you have all your employees in Greensburg still and they would be cutting nobody out of the program.

Mr. Kriss said they would make money and Mr. Killinger said they are getting rid of that prison because it is dilapidated. Mr. Killinger said he was misquoting him, he never said that, with Commissioner Zapotosky saying it was Sheriff Brownfield. Mr. Kriss said he doesn't know if that is true or not because he doesn't know all the specs, but the

building was turnkey as of last week. Turnkey literally, intact with everything. He said why not lease, buy, own or get for free that facility, you have nothing to lose. He said there is an 80-acre parcel and they disturb nothing and take nothing off the tax roll. He said with the 80 acres there are mineral rights and they can expand on that property. He said there is every opportunity for that place to be reused to all of our benefits. He said the commissioners were not elected to be kings of the kingdom. He said they don't need kings they need people who represent us, who pay the ticket down here and that is being neglected far too often.

Commissioner Zapotosky said that Mr. Kriss raises a good point and his concern is that we don't neglect the problems and ignore them and pass them along to some other board of commissioners. He asked Mr. Kriss to let him finish, saying before he makes a decision, with Mr. Kriss saying they are irresponsible. Commissioner Zapotosky said the Greensburg facility is just that, it's in Greensburg, Westmoreland County so they don't know all the particulars there, whether they are all owed, whether or not the courts would approve it. He said they have to have courts approval to have transportation, and there is a lot more that goes into this. He said they will talk to all the representatives involved and his point is that he doesn't want to ignore the problems because if you ignore them you are passing them on to someone else. He said when you want your child educated, you take the steps, when you want your car washed, you take the steps, if you don't it is going to get dirty and the problems are going to be more severe. He said in response to Mr. Kriss saying "we do," as leaders they have to take the initiatives that are going to allow people to voice opinions and make determinations on what is the most effective way to handle the situation.

Commissioner Zapotosky said the prison group, of which he isn't a part of, is doing a good job in making determinations that will allow these three individuals sitting at the table to make decisions and hopefully help the prison board have the ability to make informed decisions and that is a part of the process but he isn't going to ignore problems. He said it would be easy to say, to heck with this, let somebody else make the decision two years or three years from now or 10 years from now when the problem is more severe and costs triple, that would be the easy decision for him to make but it isn't the right decision for him to make. He said the right decision is to take this, analyze it for what it is worth, based on how the county will reflect with the new facility in it or with not a new facility in it. He said what are the ramifications to the taxpayers five years from today? He said five years from today there may be three new board members sitting here. He said Mrs. Hovanec may show up and ask what they are going to do about the prison because it is costing \$1.2 million a year in rentals. Mrs. Hovanec said it is better than \$2 million. Commissioner Zapotosky said they can't ignore problems, they have to study and analyze them. Commissioner Zapotosky engaged in a discussion with Mr. Kriss about the issue, saying he has explored the 429th personally. Mrs. Hovanec said you have but we haven't. Commissioner Zapotosky said then he will call her and go through her.

Mr. Kriss said they should put out a referendum to see how many people want to vote for the \$50 million prison, adding that Sheriff, nobody wants to cheat you out of anything. Mr. Kriss said it isn't about them. Commissioner Zapotosky asked Sheriff

Brownfield how long he has been in the county. Sheriff Brownfield said he has been Sheriff for 14 ½ years and they have talked about the need for a prison from day one. He said they did a study in 2001 and spent \$350,000 and now we are 10 years later, and its \$40 million. Mr. Kriss said something needs to be done. Sheriff Brownfield said Greene County is filled up, Washington County is filled up, Cambria County is filled up and he is sending prisoners to Beaver and Butler counties. Mr. Kriss said his idea with SCI-Greensburg, there are 850 beds and if they only need 400 for Fayette County then can rent 400 beds a day. He said for 400 at \$100 a day, they are making a hell of a lot of money. He said why not go for it, they are self-sufficient and they solve a problem.

Commissioner Ambrosini said Westmoreland County charges us \$78 a day per inmate where Greene County charge us \$55. He said that isn't an economically viable option. Mrs. Hovanec and Mr. Kriss said that isn't what he said. Mr. Kriss said if other communities are overburdened, they can take them in. He said they would have 400 extra beds to fill and now they can start making money and the prison would be self-sustainable. Commissioner Ambrosini asked if he has knowledge how much it would cost to get that facility and renovate it up to standards. Mr. Kriss said he knows how much it would cost but not how much to renovate it. He asked who said it needed renovated, when it was turnkey a week ago for X amount of prisoners. He said it doesn't need renovated, it's turnkey. He said it is assessed at \$3 million and Westmoreland County's ratio is and maybe the Solicitor Mr. Burkley will know, but he thinks it is four times, which gives a \$12 million building sitting there. Commissioner Ambrosini said he doesn't think that is correct. Mr. Kriss said he is telling them, it is sitting there and he just looked on the computer yesterday, it is the assessment and the ratio.

Mr. Kriss said if they had to pay the \$12 million to Westmoreland County or the state, they are still getting a better deal than blowing \$50, \$80, \$90 million and playing games to get that far. He said they can be turnkey and with their Democratic leaders down here, they won't end up paying \$12 million, they will end up paying a buck because the state wants rid of it, them see a good cause and on top of that, maybe Westmoreland and Fayette could partner and both use and both share expenses and use the facility and it is a win-win for all. Commissioner Ambrosini said he heard a lot of assumptions but he didn't hear a lot in the way of facts. Mrs. Hovanec said he hasn't studied it and Mr. Kriss said he isn't a prison board member, he is only going on one day, looking on the computer and making a couple phone calls for a viable option. He said honestly, he takes it totally offensively that this whole working group and everybody knows SCI Greensburg is closing and why would they not even think of that option or privatization. He said it is almost an insult to everyone in this county that they haven't even looked at those smacking us in the face, we want to build new, we want to be the king of prisons and we want a Taj Mahal for a prison. He said here is the problem, we can't afford it.

Commissioner Zapotosky said one of the aspects of privatization that he explored when he first got elected is that privatization is very difficult to achieve because they want to build an 800-900 bed facility and they want to bring people from all over the region and states because it is a revenue generator at that point in time. He said one of the negatives is we don't have a facility that would meet standards and they would have to go up to 800-900 beds and the concern that you would have would be do you want to

bring outside criminals into your county and you don't want them in your backyard. He said one of the aspects of privatization is they recruit other inmates from other counties and you have no control over that and you don't want to expose your community to hardened criminals from the state of New Jersey. Mr. Kriss said he agrees and that is not what he is saying. Commissioner Zapotosky said that is one of the aspects of privatization that comes into play. Mr. Kriss said they can all sleep better knowing that all these criminals are not even in our county. Commissioner Zapotosky said that they are in Mr. Burkley's back yard. Mr. Kriss said we don't care about them. Mr. Burkley said there are people in Youngwood and South Greensburg that would say the same thing. Mr. Kriss said he was only saying that in jest. He said hasn't it been a very quiet, well run facility and there haven't been problems because of a prison.

Solicitor Burkley said the state has been running it. Mr. Kriss said it is well run and all he is asking is that they consider it. He said they should tell them what they want to help pay for, it is a lot of money. Commissioner Zapotosky said they didn't vote to spend money. He said they have to worry about it because five years from now, it's past and 10 years from now, it's past. He said you worry about the problem today. Mr. Kriss said lets weigh all the options, it's our money and he asked them to consider it.

Adjournment

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

Commissioner Ambrosini yes
Commissioner Zapotosky yes
Commissioner Zimmerlink yes

Motion passed unanimously