

Tuesday, January 3, 2006 10:10 am

A meeting of the Fayette County Board of Commissioners was held on Tuesday, January 3, 2006 at 10:10 a.m. in the Commissioners Conference Room, at the Courthouse, Uniontown, PA.

Present: Commissioner Angela M. Zimmerlink, Chairwoman
Commissioner Joseph A. Hardy, III, Vice-Chairman
Commissioner Vincent A. Vicites, Secretary
Judy M. Bodkin, Chief Clerk
Warren Hughes, County Manager
County Solicitor – none present

- Meeting called to Order
- Silent Prayer
- Pledge of Allegiance
- Public Comment on Agenda Items -none

- Controller

Moved by Commissioner Vicites and seconded by Commissioner Hardy to execute a contract between the County of Fayette & Susquehanna Group Advisors, formerly known as Weiss Group, to provide technical accounting assistance and advise to the County/Controllers Office, in the amount not to exceed \$38,750.

Motion Passed Unanimously

- Commissioners

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to accept the Board resignations of Larry Williams on the North Fayette Municipal Authority and Bernard Sarra on the Southwestern PA Human Services.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Richard Burd, farm representative, for a term to expire 12/31/08 and to reappoint Lou Diamond, farm representative for a term to expire 12/31/08, both to serve on the Agricultural Land Preservation Board

Commissioner Zimmerlink requested that the Commissioners reconsider the Motion and appoint one or more new members, not to take anything away from the two serving but to bring in new membership.

Commissioner Vicites stated that Mr. Burd and Mr. Diamond were the catalyst and moved forward and developed this Board and would like them to continue. Commissioner Zimmerlink agreed, however, stated she would prefer to have at least one new member.

The Motion was not reconsidered.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Rick Adobato to the EMSI – Emergency Medical Service Board for a term to expire 12/31/06.

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated there were no other individuals who wished to be considered.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to appoint Terry Shallenberger to serve on the Fayette County Airport Authority for a term to expire the first Monday in January 2011.

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated she would abstain on this vote because Commissioner Hardy and Commissioner Vicites interviewed Mr. Shallenberger by telephone at a time when she was not available. Commissioner Zimmerlink also stated she would prefer to appoint either Ron Metros or Dan Mancini.

Commissioner Zimmerlink : abstain
Commissioner Hardy: aye
Commissioner Vicites aye

Motion Passed 2-0 – one abstain

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Lloyd Moser as the Public Representative to the Fayette County Conservation District Board for a term to expire December 31, 2009.

It was noted that he was the only individual in this Public category and that an organization must nominate an individual for a seat on the Board.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and Commissioner Vicites to appoint Michael Reskovac as farm representative to the Fayette County Conservation District Board for a term to expire December 31, 2009.

It was noted that he was the only individual in this Public category and that an organization must nominate an individual for a seat on the Board.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Hardy to reappoint Vince Vicites as commissioner representative to the Fayette County Conservation District Board for a term to expire December 31, 2006.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Joan Tracey to serve on the Fayette County Health Center Board for a term to expire the first Monday in January of 2011.

It was noted that no other individual which to be considered

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Nancy Sutton as the tenant board member to the Fayette County Housing Authority for a term to expire December 31, 2010.

Commissioner Zimmerlink indicated that Ms Sutton has been a tenant board member for five years and that four other tenants interviewed for a seat and she asked the Commissioners to reconsider appointing Nancy Sutton.

The Motion was not reconsidered.

Commissioner Zimmerlink abstained noting she serves on the board
Commissioner Hardy: aye
Commissioner Vicites aye

Motion Passed 2-0 – one abstain

Lisa Ferris Kusniar, Director of the Mental Health Mental Retardation Office reported on forms completed by the individuals wishing to serve on the Mental Health Mental Retardation Advisory Board to determine if they meet the requirements in the vacant categories of Physician, Local Health & Welfare, Professional and Citizen.

Moved by Commissioner Vicites and seconded by Commissioner Hardy to reappoint Angela Zimmerlink as commissioner representative to serve on the Mental Health Mental Retardation Advisory Board for a term to expire December 31, 2006.

Commissioner Zimmerlink abstained noting she serves on the board
Commissioner Hardy: aye
Commissioner Vicites aye

Motion Passed 2-0 – one abstain

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Dr. Jin, for the physician category, to serve on the Mental Health Mental Retardation Advisory Board for a term to expire December 31, 2008

Commissioner Zimmerlink abstained noting she serves on the board
Commissioner Hardy: aye
Commissioner Vicites aye

Motion Passed 2-0 one abstain

Moved by Commissioner Vicites and seconded by Commissioner Hardy to reappoint Joe Mickens, for the professional category, to serve on the Mental Health Mental Retardation Advisory Board for a term to expire December 31, 2008

Commissioner Zimmerlink abstained noting she serves on the board
Commissioner Hardy: aye
Commissioner Vicites aye

Motion Passed 2-0 - one abstain

Moved by Commissioner Vicites and seconded by Commissioner Hardy to appoint Denise Martin, for the citizen category, to serve on the Mental Health Mental Retardation Advisory Board for a term to expire December 31, 2008

Lisa Ferris Kusniar said that Dave Merlin and Robert Hess both fit the category and that Denise Martin may meet the category and that she thinks it could work.

Commissioner Zimmerlink abstained noting she serves on the board
Commissioner Hardy: aye
Commissioner Vicites aye

Motion Passed 2-0 - one abstain

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Tammy Stuck, Local Health & Welfare category, to serve on the Mental Health Mental Retardation Advisory Board for a term to expire December 31, 2008

Lisa Ferris Kusniar said there are two possibilities for this category, Tammy Stuck and Chris Homer.

Commissioner Zimmerlink abstained noting she serves on the board
Commissioner Hardy: aye
Commissioner Vicites aye

Motion Passed 2-0 – one abstain

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Richard DiCenzo to serve on the North Fayette Municipal Authority for a term to expire the first Monday in January 2011.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to appoint Robert Yatsko to serve on the North Fayette Municipal Authority for a term to expire the first Monday in January 2008.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated that there were a number of individuals interested and that a township supervisor did not have to be appointed even though historically that is done.

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Edward Andria to serve on the Fayette County Planning Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2009.

Commissioner Zimmerlink: nay
Commissioner Hardy: aye
Commissioner Vicites: aye

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated this is nothing against Mr. Andria but she understood that Mr. Andria has been on this Board since the 80's and we interviewed many individuals

Motion Passed 2-1

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to appoint Gary Verkleeren to serve on the Fayette County Planning Commission for a term to expire December 31, 2009.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Commissioner Vicites stated he is a new member and it is good to have a mix, someone with experience and someone new. Commissioner Zimmerlink stated that there is Ed Andria and Melvin Sepic and you've replaced Melvin Sepic with Gary Verkleeren and kept Ed Andria on with 14 people who interviewed for this position. Commissioner Vicites said that Gary is a new member new blood and is a good mix.

Moved by Commissioner Zimmerlink to reappoint Charles Roskovensky to the Fayette County UCC Appeals Board for a one year term and that there has not been any hearings yet before this Board

Commissioner Vicites stated that he never had a chance to talk with him and that he did not come in for an interview and that is why he hesitated. Commissioner Zimmerlink reminded Commissioner Vicites that he was to check on the UCC, North Fayette Municipal and WFIB and report back to us. Commissioner Vicites said he was able to call all but did not have a chance to call Mr. Roskovensky. Commissioner Zimmerlink stated since she did not hear back from Commissioner Vicites she called Mr. Roskovensky and that he did express an interest to be reappointed, again, stating that the Commissioners created the UCC Board just last year and appointed these members and none of them have had an opportunity to yet serve so it would stand to reason why would you want to replace someone who has not had an opportunity to serve.

Commissioner Vicites stated he understands what is said but that in the future he wanted to make sure these people appointed are contacted to see if they want reappointed. Commissioner Zimmerlink reminded Commissioner Vicites that he was to contact Mr. Roskovensky and when she did not hear back from him she contacted Mr. Roskovensky.

Commissioner Vicites again stated that all should be contacted and Commissioner Zimmerlink asked him how many he contacted. Commissioner Vicites stated he was only able to contact the WFIB and the North Fayette but did not get a chance to call Mr. Roskovensky.

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated there is a Motion on the floor and asked for a second.

Motion died for lack of a second.

Commissioner Zimmerlink asked to entertain a Motion.

Commissioner Hardy recommended Renee Colburn. Commissioner Vicites asked Commissioner Hardy if he meant her for the Regional Trail Board and that this is the UCC Board appointment.

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to appoint Tim Emory, Category 1- Builder to serve on the UCC Appeals Board for a term to expire December 31, 2006.

Commissioner Vicites stated Tim Emory did come in to interview. Commissioner Zimmerlink agreed adding that Charles Roskovensky did as well last year and that the board has never met.

Commissioner Zimmerlink: nay
Commissioner Hardy: aye
Commissioner Vicites: aye

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated this is nothing against Mr. Emory but the hours we went through last year there is no sense in changing at this time.

Motion Passed 2-1

Commissioner Vicites reported that the educator category can replace one of the labor categories and from the private sector we must have someone for economic development category and it is the wishes of the Board.

Commissioner Zimmerlink asked Commissioner Vicites what he and Commissioner Hardy have decided and asked for a Motion.

Commissioner Hardy **moved** Phil Savini but Commissioner Zimmerlink asked that he first name all the individuals and categories so that the Commissioners made sure all the correct categories were filled.

Commissioner Hardy stated Phil Savini, education, Chris Decker, business, Jim Stark, Community, Barbara Shaw Welfare and Andrew French economic.

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated the Commissioners did not interview Andrew French and there was not a letter from him. Commissioner Vicites said he did not believe the Commissioners interviewed Mr. French but that it was a narrow category and it would be either Andrew French or the same person.

Commissioner Zimmerlink asked about what was just said about interviewing everyone and Commissioner Vicites said we did not interview Charles Roskovensky or Rick Adobato. Commissioner Zimmerlink said we just went through the reason and that also there were no others interested in the EMS category and Rick Adobato did send his letter.

Commissioner Vicites said this is a narrow category, we must have a professional in economic development and there are only two choices in the entire County that he is aware of. Commissioner

Zimmerlink asked if their intent is to replace Mike Krajovic with Andrew French and there is no one else that anyone could have contacted right?

Commissioner Zimmerlink said that for the most part these interviews and process was a waste of time.

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to appoint Phil Savini to the Workforce Investment Board for the category of education (replacing labor category) for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Chris Decker to the Workforce Investment Board for the category of business for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Jim Stark to the Workforce Investment Board for the category of community action for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Barbara Shaw to the Workforce Investment Board for the category of welfare agency for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to appoint Andrew French, economic development category to the Workforce Investment Board for the category of welfare agency for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

Commissioner Zimmerlink: nay
Commissioner Hardy: aye
Commissioner Vicites: aye

Motion passed 2-1

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated she voted nay because she did not interview Andrew French and just found out that two Commissioners apparently talked about that. Commissioner Vicites said he spoke with Bill Thompson of WFIB and there may be a citizen at large category in the future.

The next Agenda item was to consider the Fayette County Zoning Hearing Board appointments and Commissioner Zimmerlink suggested that the members remain because of the newness of the board reminding all of the prior year events.

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Mark Morrison to the Fayette County Zoning Hearing Board for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Commissioner Zimmerlink said she was hesitant given Mr. Morrison's new duties in the DA's office but that Mark Morrison assured us that he would have the time to fulfill his obligations.

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Myron Hoskins, alternate member to the Fayette County Zoning Hearing Board for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to reappoint Mark Rafail, alternate member to the Fayette County Zoning Hearing Board for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Moved by Commissioner Zimmerlink to appoint Maria Weightman to the SPHS – Southwestern PA Human Service.

Motion died for lack of a second.

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to appoint Robert Natalini to the SPHS Southwestern PA Human Service. (there is no stated term)

Commissioner Zimmerlink: nay
Commissioner Hardy: aye
Commissioner Vicites: aye

Motion passed 2-1

Commissioner Zimmerlink asked if Commissioner Vicites wished to be reappointed as commissioner representative to the Pittsburgh Regional Alliance Board and he stated yes.

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to reappoint Vincent Vicites as commissioner representative to the Pittsburgh Regional Alliance for a term to expire December 31, 2006.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Commissioner Vicites stated it requires a lot of travel on his part to Pittsburgh for these meetings and that he would do that to represent the County because it is important that we have someone at the table at these meetings.

Moved by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to appoint Renee Vid Colburn to the Regional Trail Board for a term to expire December 31, 2008.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Commissioner Zimmerlink asked if there were any other Boards or Authorities that may have been missed.

- Public Comment - none

Moved by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to adjourn.

Motion Passed Unanimously

Meeting adjourned.

Approved:

Attest:

Judith M. Bodkin, Chief Clerk