

**Thursday, September 27, 2007 10:00 am**

A meeting of the Fayette County Board of Commissioners was held on Thursday, September 27, 2007 at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room, at the Public Service Building, 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  
Joseph Ferens, County Solicitor

**Meeting called to Order**

**Silent Prayer**

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Hardy to amend the Agenda to include the request of the Franklin Township Supervisors for county tax exoneration for past due taxes and to consider amended the Agreement between the County and CSX for land associated with the Sheepskin Trail

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

Motion passed unanimously

**Public Comment on Agenda Items**

James Smith representing the VA Liaison Committee commented on how they were unaware that the Commissioners were going to act on their request which they made in an August letter although Commissioner Zimmerlink pointed out that she emailed him along with the other Commissioners and VA Director. Mr. Smith said the committee wants to do what is best for the veterans and that is why they wanted a meeting with the three Commissioners. Commissioner Vicites said he would have rather met with them as well. Commissioner Zimmerlink stated that the place for discussion, requests and formal action is before the public and that is why she placed it on the Agenda which was approved unanimously by all three Commissioners.

Chris Homer, of Southwestern AAA, Larry Firestone & Mary Moats spoke on the benefits of Employ the Older Worker. Joe Augustine, Jennifer Soisson and Jackie Albert spoke on Domestic Violence. Denise Robinson and members of the BPW spoke on Business Women's Week. Representatives of the 4H Club spoke recognizing young gentlemen who participated and represented Fayette County in the events.

## **Proclamations and Recognitions**

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to proclaim the following:

Employ the Older Worker Week	September 23-29, 2007
Red Ribbon Week	October 23-31, 2007
Domestic Violence Awareness Month	October 2007
Business Women's Week	October 14-20, 2007
Fayette County 4-H Shotgun Club Junior & Senior Teams Recognitions	

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

Motion passed unanimously

Commissioner Zimmerlink explained the request of the Franklin Township Supervisors for the commissioners to exonerate them from the delinquent county taxes pursuant to their July 2007 letter indicating the amount of \$1285.87 as due. Commissioner Zimmerlink stated the Tax Claim Bureau records show an amount of approximately \$700.00.

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy to exonerate the County taxes, penalty and interest on the property designated as the Curfew Grange Swimming Pool. There was no second to the Motion.

Motion failed for lack of a second.

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated that some taxpayers wondered how the Township was able to pay the \$21,500 for the property and also that she said if the Curfew Grange would seek exemption before the tax assessment appeals it may not have been granted because other similar requests have not been granted. Further, that the Township would be exonerated from future taxes. She also mentioned that it would be unfair to others paying taxes. There was no comment from Commissioner Hardy and Commissioner Vicites.

## **Redevelopment Authority**

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to adopt resolution, as attached, which allocates \$140,000 in Act 137 Affordable Housing Trust Funds to the Fayette County Redevelopment Authority for various affordable housing initiatives, specifically, \$20,000 to support the Heritage Apartments senior citizen housing development and \$120,000 to support the Redevelopment Authority's affordable housing initiatives, primarily the Homebuyer Development Program.

Commissioner Zimmerlink: aye  
Commissioner Hardy: aye

Commissioner Vicites: aye

Motion passed unanimously

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to adopt resolution, as attached, which approves an application being submitted by the County to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) HOME Investment Partnerships Program requesting \$500,000 to provide additional support for the County's Homeowner Rehabilitation and Homebuyer Development Program. This approval will authorize the Commissioners to sign and submit the application for assistance and will also approve execution of a program management agreement upon award of funding which will highlight the Redevelopment Authority's responsibilities for administration of the Program.

Commissioner Zimmerlink: aye

Commissioner Hardy: aye

Commissioner Vicites: aye

Motion passed unanimously

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to adopt resolution, as attached, which approves submission of an application being submitted by the County to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) HOME Investment Partnerships Program requesting \$600,000 in support of City Mission - Livingstones, Inc. in the City of Uniontown East End Neighborhood. This approval will authorize the Commissioners to sign and submit the application for assistance and will also approve execution of a program management agreement upon award of funding which will highlight the Redevelopment Authority's responsibilities for administration of the Program.

Commissioner Zimmerlink: aye

Commissioner Hardy: aye

Commissioner Vicites: aye

Motion passed unanimously

## **Controller**

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify the investments of August 23, 2007 - \$6,000,000 for 28 days at 5.25% with First Federal \$24,164.38 and \$4,700,000 for 14 days at 5.25% interest with First Federal \$9,464.38; September 6, 2007 - \$4,375,000 for 14 days at 5.10% interest with First Federal \$8,558.22; September 20, 2007 - \$4,150,000 for 14 days at 5.11% interest with Parkvale \$8,134.00 and \$5,750,000 for 28 days at 5.11% interest with Parkvale \$22,540.00

Commissioner Zimmerlink: aye

Commissioner Hardy: aye  
Commissioner Vicites: aye

Motion passed unanimously

Controller Mark Roberts reported on the Financial Condition of the County indicating as of September 26, 2007 the net position was \$5,107,746.84; total revenues were \$18,793,663.19 and total expenditures were \$15,747,747.15. Mark Roberts also confirmed when asked by Commissioner Zimmerlink that while his office was short on staff due to resignations and medical leave to his knowledge no bills have been left unpaid.

### **Tax Assessment**

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to approve the following individuals for a 100% Real Estate Tax Exemption as they have been certified as 100% Disabled Veterans by the Veterans Administration:

Daniel E. Steiner	Perryopolis Borough	28-09-0263
Michael A. Kodric	South Union Twp	34-16-0299
Roy D Bickford	Masontown Borough	21-08-0162

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

Motion passed unanimously

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to authorize the advertising for an invitation to bid (IFB) for binding of 2008 tax duplicates.

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

Motion passed unanimously

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify the approval for an internship with Laurel Business School effective September 11, 2007 through December 31, 2007 at no cost to the county.

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

Motion passed unanimously

## **Tax Claim**

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify the agreements to post Tax Claim properties between the County of Fayette and the following individuals at \$12/hour effective August 1, 2007 as needed.

Norman Howard      Larry Adams

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

Motion passed unanimously

## **Planning, Zoning & Community Development**

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to authorize the advertising for an invitation to bid (IFB) for the purchase of a 2008 Jeep Liberty for the UCC Department. Payment for the vehicle will be from the UCC account and not the general fund.

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

Motion passed unanimously

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites to ratify rejection of Bid No. 07-17 for the construction of Phase I of the Sheepskin Trail and ratify the approval to re-advertise for the construction of Phase I of the Sheepskin Trail.

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

Motion passed unanimously

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve RZ07-7, William Hickle, North Union Township requesting a change from B-1 General Business for R-2 Medium Density Residential on 5.58 acres.

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

Motion passed 2-1

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to approve RZ07-8, Michael & Michelle Williams, Dunbar Twsp requesting an ext of R-2 High Density Residential zone on property zoned B-1 General Business on 1.50 acres.

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

Motion passed 2-1

**Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Hardy to AMEND Resolution No. 07-4-26-05 changing the purchase price of the from \$86,174 to \$81,500 because less property is being purchased. See attached Resolution No. 07-4-26-05.

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

Motion passed unanimously

### **Veterans Affairs**

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites approving request of Director Rosemary White for herself and Madonna Nicklow to attend the Annual Mandatory Accreditation & Refresher Training for County Directors and staff in Indiantown Gap on October 16-19 and October 14-19.

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

Motion passed unanimously

VA Director Rosemary White commented on the need to upgrade the Veterans van to a bus and called upon driver Clyde Turner to confirm the difficulty for some older veterans because of either their size or some medical equipment they carry. Mr. Turner stated that both Commissioner Hardy and Commissioner Vicites saw the vans when purchased and could attest to the small size. Commissioner Zimmerlink reiterated the need for the VA office to have waited on taking over the task of transportation and to learn more about the buses and transportation over-all to avoid these kinds of problems. Commissioner Zimmerlink reiterated her suggestion for the VA office to meet with the Director of OHCS and FACT representatives to gain some insight as they had previously provided the transportation for the veterans

**Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Hardy to advertise for an Invitation to Bid for an upgrade of the passenger van and a new 2008 20 passenger vehicle

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

Motion passed unanimously

Next on the Agenda was to consider the request of the VA Liaison Committee for the County to formally pass a Resolution allowing the committee to participate in the hiring of VA directors and to meet twice a year with the Commissioners. Commissioner Zimmerlink reiterated that for the last 4 VA directors hired the county allowed their participation and questioned the need for a Resolution. She also said it was not necessary to have formal action to meet with Commissioners as any group at any time could meet with the Commissioners. Commissioner Vicites said that for years the committee has interviewed and he thinks it is a good idea.

**Moved** by Commissioner Vicites and seconded by Commissioner Hardy to make the VA Liaison Committee be a participant in the interview process for the position of VA Director and give their recommendation to the Commissioners and to also meet twice a year (March/September) with the Commissioners to express their views.

Commissioner Zimmerlink: abstain  
Commissioner Hardy: aye  
Commissioner Vicites: aye

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated that she abstained only because the Resolution was too general and wanted it more clear as to how to interact with the HR department and the County should have waited until obtaining information from the State association and other counties.

Motion passed 2-0

Ken Luttinger counsel representing the Uniontown Hospital spoke on this issue confirming that proper steps have taken. County solicitor Joe Ferens confirmed the same.

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites approving the attached Resolution authorizing a new bond refinancing for the Uniontown Hospital by the Fayette County Hospital Authority

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

Motion passed unanimously

## Children & Youth Services

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites approving Purchase of Service Agreements & Addendums between the County of Fayette, through Fayette County Children & Youth Services / Fayette County Juvenile Probation Office, and the service providers listed below for the 2006-07 & 2007-08 fiscal year.

Adelphoi Village (Addendum) 2006/2007

In-Home Services \$45.19 per hour

CONTRACTS 7-1-2007 to 6-30-2008

Adelphoi Village

354 Main St.

Latrobe, PA 15650-1558

Initial Clothing \$250.00

Phone 724-537-3052

Fax 724-539-7060

<b>A. GROUP HOMES</b>	
ACE - Male/Female	\$194.75 per day
Intensive Supervision – Female	\$223.40 per day
Intensive Supervision - Male	\$189.90 per day
Substance Abuse - Male	\$189.90 per day
Sexual Offenses - Male	\$199.80 per day
Diagnostic Center - Male/Female	\$238.04 per day
Shelter Care	\$194.75 per day
Short Term Residential	\$194.75 per day
Detention	\$145.00 per day
Secure - Female	\$305.90 per day
Secure - Male	\$305.90 per day
<b>B. SPECIALIZED INDEPENDENT LIVING</b>	
Specialized Independent Living – Male/Female	\$187.80 per day
<b>C. RESIDENTIAL TREATMENT FACILITY</b>	
Susan's	\$329.35 per day
Sweeney	\$261.94 per day
Northern Tier	\$287.27 per day
<b>D. PARTIAL HOSPITALIZATION</b>	
Partial Hospitalization Program – Non MA Eligible	\$114.00 per day
<b>E. Families Who Care</b>	
Treatment/Kinship - Male/Female	\$70.35 per day
Intensive Treatment – Male/Female	\$123.90 per day
Pregnant & Parenting Program	\$ 91.90 per day
Pregnant & Parenting 2 <sup>nd</sup> Child	\$ 69.45 per day
Shelter Care - Male/Female	\$194.75 per day
<b>F. MULTISYSTEMIC THERAPY SERVICES</b>	
MST - Non MA Eligible	\$ 67.63 per hour
<b>G. Additional Services</b>	





Commissioner Vicites: aye

Motion passed unanimously

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites approving the reappointment of Kelly Woods & David Klink to 3-year terms on the Fayette County Children & Youth Services Advisory Committee. Both terms expire on September 30, 2007. The new terms will expire September 30, 2010.

Commissioner Zimmerlink: aye

Commissioner Hardy: aye

Commissioner Vicites: aye

Motion passed unanimously

### **MH/MR Program**

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites approving agreements and modifications:

<u>Base Contract Agreements 2007-2008</u>	<u>Contract Value</u>	<u>Period</u>
Allegheny Intermediate Unit	\$ 543,855	7/1/07-6/30/08
Arc, Fayette	\$ 597,362	7/1/07-6/30/08
Chestnut Ridge Counseling Services, Inc.	\$ 1,499,744	7/1/07-6/30/08
Crawford County MH/MR	\$ 935	7/1/07-6/30/08
Goodwill Industries of Fayette County	\$ 553,604	7/1/07-6/30/08
Laurel Highlands Foundation, Inc.	\$ 93,776	7/1/07-6/30/08
Life's Work of Western PA	\$ 9,405	7/1/07-6/30/08
Mattern House, Inc.	\$ 3,814	7/1/07-6/30/08
Mental Health Association in Fayette County	\$ 666,142	7/1/07-6/30/08
Redstone Rehabilitation Services	\$ 10,000	7/1/07-6/30/08
Westmoreland Human Opportunities, Inc.	\$ 10,000	7/1/07-6/30/08
 <u>Fee-For-Service Agreement 2007-2008</u>		
Fayette Emergency Medical Services	\$ 5,000	7/1/07-6/30/08
 <u>Administrative Entity &amp; Waiver Contracts 2007-2008 (Federal)</u>		
Arc, Fayette	\$ 2,065,899	7/1/07-6/30/08
Ganister Station	\$ 14,440	7/1/07-6/30/08
Goodwill Industries of Fayette County	\$ 378,570	7/1/07-6/30/08
 <u>EI Waiver Contracts 2007-2008 (Federal)</u>		
Arc, Fayette	\$ 321,661	7/1/07-6/30/08
 <u>Base Contract Agreement Modification #1 2007-2008</u>		

Keystone Community Resources, Inc.	\$ 7,896	7/1/07-6/30/08
Laurel Highlands Foundation, Inc.	\$ 93,776	7/1/07-6/30/08

Administrative Entity & Waiver Contract Modification #1 2007-2008

Keystone Community Resources, Inc.	\$ 127,447	7/1/07-6/30/08
Laurel Highlands Foundation, Inc.	\$ 749,313	7/1/07-6/30/08
Mattern House, Inc.	\$ 58,003	7/1/07-6/30/08

Administrative Entity & Waiver Contract Modification #4 2006-2007

Fayette Resources, Inc.	\$ 4,092,125	7/1/06-6/30/07
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Commissioner Zimmerlink: aye  
 Commissioner Hardy: aye  
 Commissioner Vicites: aye

Motion passed unanimously

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites awarding Bid No. 07-18 submitted by Davies Ford Connellsville, Route 119 North, Connellsville, PA for two 2008 Ford Taurus at a monthly cost of Six Hundred Eighteen Dollars and Eighty cents (\$618.80) for thirty-six (36) months, with a total cost of Twenty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Thirty-Three Dollars and Eighty cents (\$22,533.80) for the lease period.

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

Motion passed unanimously

**Human Resource Department**

Under the MH/MR

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites accepting/ratifying the following resignations

Michael Dionis, Information Technology Generalist Supervisor, effective September 21, 2007; Dustin Pierce, Caseworker 2, effective September 7, 2007; Julie Toye, Caseworker 2, effective September 4, 2007; Kim Davis, HR Assistant I, effective September 4, 2007; Brittany Winfrey, MH Program Specialist I effective October 9, 2007.

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

Motion passed unanimously

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink approving the appointment of Nicole M. Fijalkovic, as Human Resource Assistant I at \$26,052.00 (\$13.36/hour), effective October 15, 2007.

Commissioner Zimmerlink: aye  
Commissioner Hardy: aye  
Commissioner Vicites: abstain

Motion passed 2-0

Commissioner Zimmerlink asked Jen Cline of Felice Associates if there was any reason the Commissioners should reconsider this or be informed of anything to which she indicated there was not to her knowledge.

Under Children & Youth Services

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites approving the hiring of Andrew Rabatin, County Caseworker 1, effective October 1, 2007, at the starting rate of \$12.74 per hour ; approving the hiring of Daniel Brady, County Caseworker 1, effective October 1, 2007, at the starting rate of \$12.74 per hour and approving the hiring of Wendy Pratt, County Caseworker 1, effective November 1, 2007, at the starting rate of \$12.74 per hour.

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

Motion passed unanimously

Under the Office of Human and Community Services

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites ratifying the promotional transfer of Nickie McClelland to a Transportation Information Specialist SEIU Grade 6 Step A at \$9.17/hr (\$17,881.50), effective September 17, 2007 and the hiring of George Hallas as Technician C SEIU Pay Grade 6 at \$9.17 per hour (\$17,881.50) effective October 1, 1007.

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

Motion passed unanimously

**Moved** by Commissioner Zimmerlink and seconded by Commissioner Hardy to TABLE approving the

hiring of TBA as Transportation Clerk SEIU Pay Grade 3 at \$8.30 per hour (\$16,186) effective October TBA 2007.

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

Motion passed unanimously

Under the Office of Planning Zoning & Economic Development

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites ratifying the promotional transfer of Madeline Sur to UCC Administrative Technician at SEIU Grade 10 at \$10.47/hr (\$20,416.50/yr), effective September 3, 2007 and rescinding the ratification of the lateral transfer of Linda Orris from the Office of Human and Community Services to the office of Community and Economic Development as a Department Clerk III SEIU Grade 6, Step A at \$9.17/hr (\$17,881.50/yr) effective October 1, 2007.

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

Motion passed unanimously

Under Veteran's Affairs

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites approving the hiring of Stephen Corcoran and Jack Craggette as a part-time backup van drivers at a per diem rate of \$60.00/day, effective October 1, 2007

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

Motion passed unanimously

Under the Bridge Department

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites approving the hiring of Walter Craig for the position of Mechanic/Welder in the Bridge Department at a SEIU Grade 8, Step A at \$9.81/hr (\$19,129.50/yr), effective October 1, 2007

Commissioner Zimmerlink: aye  
Commissioner Hardy: aye

Commissioner Vicites: aye

Motion passed unanimously

**Human & Community Services/FACT**

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites Consider voiding the Fiscal Year 2007-08 sponsorship agreement between the County of Fayette, FACT and the Fayette County Association for Retarded Citizens, ARC

Commissioner Zimmerlink: aye

Commissioner Hardy: aye

Commissioner Vicites: aye

Motion passed unanimously

**Commissioners**

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites approving the Commissioners Meeting Minutes of August 23, 2007 and of September 12, 2007

Commissioner Zimmerlink: aye

Commissioner Hardy: aye

Commissioner Vicites: aye

Motion passed unanimously

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink rejecting responses for providing professional auditing services for the County Single Audit as a Request for Proposal as advertised and re-advertise for the same services under the Request for Qualification.

Commissioner Zimmerlink: aye

Commissioner Hardy: aye

Commissioner Vicites: nay

Motion passed 2-1

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Vicites ratifying the following General Fund Budget Transfers dated August 16, 2007 to September 19, 2007:

OFFICE	DEBIT	CREDIT
Adult Probation		
Computer 014236 53010		\$ 4,000.00
Telephone 014236 53200		\$ 5,500.00
Drug Testing 014236 53191		\$ 6,000.00

Travel	014236 53300		\$ 3,500.00
Salaries Pro	014236 51300	\$16,500.00	
On Call	014236 51480	\$ 2,500.00	

Transfer needed due to cost over budget for above line items.

Tax Claim Office

Material & Sup.	014138 52000	\$800.00	
Posting	014138 53015		\$800.00

Personnel change required additional funds to the Posting line item.

Courts

Salary – Arbitrator	014184 51412	\$1,000.00	
Association Dues & Training	014184 54200		\$1,000.00

Transfer needed due to additional training.

EMA -911

Capital Outlay	434291 57000	\$3,000.00	
Travel	434291 53300		\$3,000.00

Additional funds needed in travel line item for training purposes.

TOTAL DEBITS	\$23,800.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$23,800.00

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

Motion passed unanimously

**Public Announcement**

Commissioner Zimmerlink informed the public of the schedule for the demonstrations of the voting machines and provided the website addresses for online demonstrations.

**Public Comment**

Brian Lutes commented on the Bonds saying the payment from the General Fund. He commented on the county zoning ordinance stating the county should not continue with county wide zoning. He also commented that Fayette County should be aware of NAFTA and its affects with the superhighway.

Commissioner Vicites commented that he obtained a letter from bond counsel stating that everything purchased was done so in accordance with the law. He also stated that if the municipalities want to take over their own zoning he would be in agreement.

Commissioner Zimmerlink stated that her interest in the Bond was that of the Washington County

Bond and to refinance it and that the other Bond had not been reviewed by her to determine if purchases were allowable. She stated that she has never been supportive of county wide zoning just as many other counties have local zoning so should the county and that as long as the county agrees to take this on many municipalities will go along with it. She also said that she has been in contact with members of Congress regarding Nafta and suggested that Mr. Lutes prepare a draft letter for the commissioners to consider signing. Commissioner Vicites agreed.

**Moved** by Commissioner Hardy and seconded by Commissioner Zimmerlink to adjourn the meeting.

Commissioner Zimmerlink: aye

Commissioner Hardy: aye

Commissioner Vicites: aye

Motion passed unanimously

Meeting Adjourned

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Judith M. Bodkin, Chief Clerk