

Wednesday, November 18, 2009 10:30 a.m.

The regular meeting of the County Commissioners was held today at Cedar Haven, all members present. Comm. Stohler presiding.

The Commissioners asked for public comment and no comment was heard.

Edward Schlegel, Administrator, met with the Commissioners to discuss the business and personnel transactions of Cedar Haven.

The facility is still waiting for the arrival of the H1N1 virus vaccine for staff.

The occupancy is currently 94%.

The Commissioners allocated **\$13,498 from the Record Improvement Fund** for the purchase of the following:

Assessment Office

Universal Parcel Identifier System - \$8,500.00

Treasurer's Office

Online Dog Licensing Program - \$4,998.00

The following individuals were appointed members of the **Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council** with terms to end June 30, 2010:

*Julie Harring*

*Joseph Rahalewich*

*Cindy Binner*

The Commissioners reappointed the following individuals as members of the as members on the **Area Agency on Aging Advisory Council** with terms to end June 30, 2010:

*Doris Bergman*

*Robert Devers*

*Lucy Flecha*

It was moved by Comm. Carpenter, seconded by Comm. Litz to adjourn the meeting.

At 12:00 noon, the Commissioners met with the other members of the Prison Board to conduct their monthly meeting.

Thursday, November 19, 2009 9:30 a.m.

The regular meeting of the County Commissioners was held today, all members present. Comm. Stohler presiding.

The meeting opened with the Pledge to the Flag.

The minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Sallie Neuin, County Treasurer, presented the weekly Treasurer's report with expenditures in the amount of \$1,870,982.34.

This week's net payroll is in the amount of \$1,051,667.63. Vote unanimous.

The Commissioners adopted a proclamation to proclaim "Great American Smoke Out" in Lebanon County. WHEREAS, The Pennsylvania Department of Health, Family Health Council of Central Pennsylvania, and the Lebanon County Tobacco Coalition have chosen to support the "GREAT AMERICAN SMOKE OUT" campaign, offering all citizens of Lebanon County and Pennsylvania the opportunity to demonstrate their commitment to a tobacco-free lifestyle; and WHEREAS, the "GREAT AMERICAN SMOKE OUT" campaign will be celebrated in every community on Thursday, November 19, 2009. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that We, the Commissioners of Lebanon County, in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, do hereby proclaim Thursday, November 19, 2009 as "**GREAT AMERICAN SMOKE OUT**" in Lebanon County, and encourage all citizens of all ages to participate in tobacco cessation and tobacco awareness activities to make a visible show of support for our strong commitment to a tobacco-free community encouraging all youth and adults to pledge to be tobacco-free.

At 9:52 a.m., the Commissioners called a recess.

Comm. Stohler informed those in attendance that \$100,000 for farmland preservation was set aside in the 2010 county general fund budget.

Comm. Carpenter stated that the County will no longer fund the Conservation District also stating that they are a self-sufficient department. Comm. Litz stated that she opposes the cut because the Conservation District provides real services to Lebanon County.

At 10:10 a.m., the Commissioners reconvened the meeting.

The following **bid** was received for the Lebanon County **Correctional Facility Commercial Kitchen Hood System Replacement**. Award of contract will be held at next week's meeting.

<u>Bidder</u>	<u>Amount</u>
Sanjay Marketing Group Lebanon, PA 17042	\$32,160.00

The Commissioners approved a **change order for Roof Replacement Areas A, B and D** to Breeding Construction Inc. 8241-D Backlick Road, Lorton, VA 22079 in the amount of \$1596.80.

It was moved by Comm. Litz, seconded by Comm. Carpenter to adjourn the meeting.

At 10:30 a.m., the Commissioners sat as the County **Board of Elections**.

Wednesday, November 25, 2009 9:30 a.m.

The regular meeting of the County Commissioners was held today, all members present. Comm. Stohler presiding.

The meeting opened with the Pledge to the Flag.

The Commissioners asked for public comment. Several members of the farming community asked the Commissioners to reconsider their decision and continue to provide funding to the Conservation District to help run programs that benefit the agricultural community. Comm. Stohler and Comm. Carpenter stated their reasons why they made their decision to discontinue funding to the Conservation District and Comm. Litz stated her reasons why funding should continue supporting the district.

Charles Wertz, Director of the Lebanon County Conservation District explained the reason why the district supplements their employee's salaries. The following individuals made comments in support of the Conservation District:

Dean Patches, Farmer – Swatara Township

Jeffrey Werner – Swatara Township

Richard Moore, Farmland Preservation Board Member – North Lebanon Township

Adam Hain, Dairy Farmer/Farmland Preservation Board Member–N. Lebanon Twp.

Ellie Salahub – North Cornwall Township

The following individuals made comments in support of the Commissioners decision to discontinue funding to the Conservation District

Carl Jarboe, resident in the City of Lebanon

Martin Barondick, resident of North Lebanon Township

It was moved by Comm. Carpenter seconded by Comm. Stohler to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Comm. Carpenter and Comm. Stohler voted "Aye", Comm. Litz voted "Nay". Motion carried.

Sallie Neuin, Lebanon County Treasurer, presented the weekly Treasurer's with expenditures in the amount of \$969,382.13.

The Commissioners approved and signed an **ePaymentNow.com™ Agreement**, 321 BlueBird Lane, Winfield, PA 17889 and the County of Lebanon. ePaymentNow.com™ will act as the exclusive **on-line and or off-line agent to provide dog license services** to the County of Lebanon.

The Commissioners approved and signed the **2009/2010 Aging Block Grant and the PDA Waiver Grant applications for support of the Area Plan**. This grant supports Administration, home delivered & center meals, socialization/recreation, volunteer services, shared ride legal assistance, etc. for Area Agency on Aging. The total budget sources of funds are in the amount of \$3,234,316.00.

Jeffrey Steckbeck, of the West Cornwall Township Municipal Authority along with John Wengert, President of the Lebanon Valley Rails-To-Trails (LVRT), met with the Commissioners to present an agreement for sewer work to be performed by the Authority. **The Authority is about to construct and install a sanitary sewer system within the railroad bed owned by the County of Lebanon and managed by LVRT**. The Commissioners informed Mr. Steckbeck that they need to review the Agreement before a decision can be made. Mr. Wengert gave an update on the progress and success of the Rail Trail.

The Commissioners awarded the **contract for a new commercial kitchen hood system replace for the Lebanon County Correctional Facility** to the low bidder Sanjay Marketing Group, Lebanon, PA at their bid amount of \$32,160.00.

The Commissioners reappointed the following individuals as members of the **Community Action Partnership Advisory Board** with a term to end December 31, 2010:

*Richard Fields Kevin Schrum  
Kristina Slick*

Comm. Litz stated that Representative Swanger has provided legislation to provide an option to abolish the Office of Jury Commissioner, and request that they send a letter to our legislatures asking for their support. Commissioners will discuss at a later time.

It was moved by Comm. Litz, seconded by Comm. Carpenter to adjourn the meeting.