



DAUPHIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

LEGISLATIVE MEETING

APRIL 13, 2011

10:00 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Jeff Haste, Chairman
Mike Pries, Vice Chairman
George P. Hartwick, III, Secretary

STAFF PRESENT

Marie E. Rebuck, Controller; Janis Creason, Treasurer's Office; J. Scott Burford, Deputy Chief Clerk; Guy P. Beneventano, Esq., Solicitor; Randy Baratucci, Director of Purchasing; Mike Yohe, Director of Budget & Finance; Leila Brown, Solicitor's Office; Kay Lenge, Human Resources, Amy Richards, Commissioners' Office; Gary Serhan, Deputy Controller; Joe Cardinale, Esq., Solicitor's Office; Steve Libhart, Director of EMA; Fred Lighty, Esq., Human Services Director's Office; Larry Moore, Parks & Recreation; Troy Petery, Deputy Court Administrator; Deb Lisi, Controller's Office; Ryan Rodgers, EMA; Dave Schreiber, Human Resources; Brad Winnick, Chief Public Defender; Edgar Cohen, Director of Facilities Maintenance; Brenda Hoffer, Commissioners' Office; Abby Gabner, Commissioners' Office and Richie-Ann Martz, Assistant Chief Clerk

GUESTS PRESENT

WHTM, WGAL, Jennifer Storm, Lu Botterbusch, Barbara Corbin, Jenna Wheale, Barbara Strupe, Patricia Lysic, Maritza Torres-Lau, Ashley Bender, Tonya Snell, Michelle Stackfield, Vikke Palmer, Irvin Slade, Rachel Slade, Jack Slade, Malia Tate-DeFreitas, Jazmine Blanding, Amber Hess-Moore, Taylor Harris-Slade, Rayvon Donald, Miyah Veria, Migdaliz Lozada, Jenny Torruellas, Janelle Hill, Cinnamon Brown, Tonjanika Heyward, Marlin Sanchez, Janesha Barley, Ceani Beaden, Jessika Williams, Joslyn Hill, Amber Anderson and Jeffrey Chisholm

MINUTES

CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Haste, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 10:09 a.m.

MOMENT OF SILENCE

Everyone observed a moment of silence.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Mr. Hartwick and seconded by Mr. Pries that the Board approve the March 23, 2011 Workshop Meeting Minutes and the March 30, 2011 Legislative Meeting Minutes; motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Pries and seconded by Mr. Hartwick that the Board approve the March 23, 2011 and March 30, 2011 Salary Board Meeting Minutes; motion carried.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS HELD BETWEEN MEETINGS

Mr. Burford: As you know, we had a meeting regarding matters of litigation on April 6, 2011.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Haste: We are at the point in time in the meeting for public participation. Is there anyone in the audience that would like to address the Board at this time? (There was none.)

DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS/GUESTS

A. Dauphin County Commissioners

- 1. Proclamation – Steelton-Highspire School Girls' Basketball Team – State Champions**
- 2. Proclamation – Malia Tate-DeFreitas – All-State Team Class A Player of the Year**

Mr. Hartwick: It gives me great pleasure today and I even donned my blue and steel gray as a pride Roller. I think we got a great opportunity today. Personally with twin daughters who played in the Steelton Basketball League and seeing the great

accomplishments of the young ladies that sit here before me you have brought even one more great reason to have pride and to also talk about the rich sports history and the proud examples that you set as young ladies, not only for my hometown of Steelton and the Steelton-Highspire School District, but for your families and this entire region. I would ask that everybody give the Lady Rollers a round of applause.

(Applause was given.)

Mr. Hartwick: I think we have a couple of honors today. First, we will do the team honors and talk a little bit about the season. I think we also have an individual honor today as well. First, it gives me great pride and pleasure to read the following Proclamation, on behalf of the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners.

(Mr. Hartwick read the following Proclamation.)

Office of County Commissioner
Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Proclamation

We, the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners, are truly thrilled to acknowledge and congratulate the Steelton Highspire Lady Rollers Basketball Team on their extraordinary season that culminated in their first PIAA Class A State Championship, and for an extensive history of athletic prowess and prominence;

Whereas, led by Head Coach Jeffrey Chisholm, the Lady Rollers team played with great heart and determination, setting the record for the best average score by a team at 64.4 points per game and for the most rebounds by a team in a season at 1,394;

Whereas, Steel-High faced off against Bishop Guilfoyle in the PIAA's Class A title game, winning a decisive 73-60 victory in the Lady Rollers' first state championship game appearance;

Whereas, setting the record for most wins in a season by a Lady Rollers team at 27, it is no surprise this outstanding team clinched the Capital Division, the District 3 Championship and the PIAA Class A Championship in basketball;

Whereas, these exceptional young athletes confronted victory with the essence of good sportsmanship, team unity and personal character, and they are truly winners in every sense of the word;

Therefore, we join the 268,000 residents of Dauphin County in honoring Steel-High's much-celebrated Lady Rollers Basketball Team for the unbelievable team work and sharp shooting that dominated the courts last season and helped them clinch the state championship; we wish them continued success both in and off the court; as enthusiastic fans, we sincerely thank the Lady Rollers for providing us with thrilling victories and enduring hope; and, in honor of their first PIAA Class A Championship and remarkable accomplishments, we do hereby proudly declare April 14, 2011 to be "Lady Rollers Basketball Day" in Dauphin County.

(Applause was given.)

Mr. Hartwick: I would like to call on Coach Chisholm who's never short on words and certainly high on enthusiasm and has brought this great basketball team into a position that I think they are going to be a force to be reckoned with in the years to come. Can you talk a little bit about the season?

(Applause was given.)

Mr. Chisholm: Thank you! This is my first time ever handling this kind of stuff. I coached under Larry Moore for six years and I learned a lot from him. We kind of went our separate ways, but I learned a lot from him. We had a great season this year. My girls here and I love each and every one of them. We have our ups and downs. We laugh, giggle and bust, but at the end of the day we love each other. We worked hard all summer long and put a lot of work in to get where we are at today. I'm just proud of my girls. We always talked about going to the SHIP. We made it there. We had our ups and downs and we are just going to keep working hard and try to get there again next year. I'm kind of lost for words right now.

(Applause was given.)

Mr. Hartwick: If I could at this point, before we do an individual honor as well, I would like to call upon my colleagues, first Commissioner Mike Pries for acknowledgments and comments.

Mr. Pries: Thank you Commissioner. I know you are beaming a great deal today, as well you should be. I have some Steelton in myself as my grandfather, Charles Kelley, was raised on the west side. Your victory, I think there is a lot of Steelton in a lot of us. You have showed, through outstanding coaching, teaching, leadership, friendship, dedication and respect for the game. That was talked about during the season by people all around the Mid-Penn Conference and further on. You made your town proud. You made your family proud. You made your friends proud and you made us, as County Commissioners and all the 256,000 residents of Dauphin County proud. I want to thank each and every one of you for the respect you have for the game, respect you have for your fellow teammates. We are very proud of you. Congratulations, ladies!

Mr. Haste: I'll try not to belabor the point, but I just wanted to say I did have the opportunity to see you play. I believe it was up at Cedar Crest in Lebanon and I also coach a High School Girls Soccer team so I know the dedication and commitment it takes. I know for you to get to the level that you are at it is not just that designated PIAA season. There is a lot of work that goes on prior to and after and continuing. We, as Commissioners, have sat here many times and talked about the great youth sports programs that we have in Central Pennsylvania and here in Dauphin County. You are a culmination of that and an example of that. One thing that you have to realize is you now have stepped into an arena that I'm not sure that you knew you were stepping into. In many ways you are now role models. There are going to be younger players that will be looking up to you. I think you need to take this as a champion and take that seriously. Also, since this team is so young, coach, I think there is an expectation to see this team again. I think you have set the bar high. I think this is a team that is capable of coming back at that. One thing that I noticed in following the team throughout the play-offs, and again any time that one of our local teams start to make a run we start to pay a little more attention to them, I think this is a team like we've seen in some of the NCAA tournaments, there are some teams that are just truly tournament teams and came together. I think this team, they probably surprised a few folks, but as this team started to make its run deeper and deeper into the tournament you guys really

jelled as a team and made a statement. I think that came on when the pressure was the hardest. When you have all the spotlights, you have all the big teams coming at you and when a team really pulls it together at that time, I think that shows a lot of character. My hat's off to you and congratulations!

Mr. Hartwick: We also have an individual honor. Basketball is a team sport. It doesn't work without five players that are working seamlessly and the ability to trust other folks. When certain individuals step up at different times of the year and play significant roles to be able to make sure that they did their part. I know for a fact that while we heard a lot of talk about Malia, I saw the rebounds and I know that didn't all occur by one person. I saw the other teams' statistics, which quite frankly jumped out at me, which means that there was a collective team effort and unselfishness to be able to rely on your partners and to be able to support them despite not being the one that might have been in the spotlight. You all played an extremely important role and with that it means you played an important role as Commissioner Haste said as role models. You need to make sure that you are doing that in the community, as well as in the classroom. We hear a lot of folks talking about the problems with public education. Let's make sure that we talk about what's right. What's right in education and what's right with our young folks is sitting right here in front of us and the ability to have hope in our future and the ability to have folks who want to sit in these positions in the future have come from folks who have been in a position to not necessarily take the spotlight and to use athletics as an opportunity to get a better education, because not all of you are going to play in the WNBA. That's not your future and the ability to come back and set that level of role models in Steelton and this community is now upon you. We do have one individual to honor. She is a sophomore and she really stepped out. I've heard her grandfather, grandmother and her mother talking stuff to me over the years about how good you were. I've certainly seen it this season and you certainly stood out and as a matter of fact were named the Single a Player of the Year as a sophomore. We have an additional Proclamation.

(Mr. Hartwick read the following Proclamation.)

Office of County Commissioner
Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Proclamation

***We**, the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners, are delighted to honor sophomore Steelton-Highspire High School basketball star Malia Tate-DeFreitas for an award-winning 2010-11 season that culminated in being named girls' basketball All-State Team Class A Player of the Year;*

***Whereas**, scoring an impressive 19 points and seven rebounds in the Class A Championship game against the Marauders, Malia led the Lady Rollers to a decisive victory to clinch the talented girls basketball team its first state title in Steelton-Highspire High School's history;*

***Whereas**, one of the best basketball players in the state, Malia is not only well-known for her agility and aggressiveness on the court, but also for bringing honor and recognition to Steelton-Highspire High School and to this very grateful and proud County of Dauphin;*

Whereas, this skillful shooter and sophomore student set the record for the most points scored in a season at 740, proving her mettle as both a superior athlete and spirited team leader;

Therefore, we join the 268,000 residents of Dauphin County in hailing the much-admired Malia Tate-DeFreitas as All-State Team Class A Player of the Year; we applaud her award-winning season and wish her enduring success in the many years to come; and, in honor of her triumphant 2010-11 basketball season, we do hereby proudly proclaim April 15, 2011 to be "Malia Tate-DeFreitas Day" in Dauphin County.

(Applause was given and pictures were taken.)

B. Dauphin County Commissioners

1. Proclamation honoring the Retirement of Irvin Slade

Mr. Pries: While we are talking about Steelton, I think it is only appropriate that we have the next Proclamation come before us, a huge Steelton-Highspire Roller fan. I know my fellow Commissioners are going to have several comments about that as well, but a longtime Dauphin County resident, a longtime Dauphin County employee, exemplified everything that there is in leadership. He is an all-around good guy. He is well respected by his co-workers, elected officials and visitors to the County. That individual is Irvin Slade, who retired on of all dates, April fool's Day. When he told us that was his date, I thought he was kidding. I thought he was playing a joke on me. I had the pleasure to work alongside him for 10 years and 7 months in the Department of Safety & Security. As I said he is well respected throughout the County. Everybody who works here and visits here knows the man and we already miss him a great deal.

(Mr. Pries read the following Proclamation.)

Office of County Commissioner
Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Proclamation

We, the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners, take great pride and pleasure in joining the countless friends, family members and coworkers and in celebrating longtime Dauphin County Security Guard Irvin Slade on his remarkable career as he retires from service;

Whereas, since 1996, when Irvin joined the county's security team, he has been one of the most recognizable and reliable employees, and he will be sorely missed;

Whereas, this fervent Steel High Rollers and Philadelphia Eagles and Sixers fan is also retired from many years of service to the New Cumberland Army Depot and the Pennsylvania Department of Health and Welfare;

Whereas, a loving father to five children and two grandchildren, who he raised, and caring friend to many, Irvin is well-known for his devotion to his family and community;

Therefore, we join the 268,000 residents of Dauphin County in congratulating, thanking the caring and committed Irvin Slade; we applaud his lifetime personal and professional achievements, and wish him enduring health, happiness and success in the years to come; and in honor of his well-earned retirement, we do hereby proudly proclaim April 13, 2011 to be "Irvin Slade Day" in Dauphin County.

(Applause was given.)

Mr. Pries: He is the biggest Eagle's fan I've ever met. Would you like to make a few comments?

Mr. Slade: No. I'm overwhelmed now.

Mr. Haste: One thing about Officer Slade is I can't think of one other security officer that didn't look up to you for your leadership and your guidance. When you talked to them everyone spoke very highly and that is not an easy group to please. Everyone spoke very highly. I don't know who I'm going to get my scoop on now. When I would come I would sit there and talk it was either the Sixers or the Eagles, talking about what is going on. I think he had an inside track to someone down there, because he seemed to know what was going on. You are sorely missed already and come this fall if we have a football season you will be greatly missed. You'll have to stop in so we can just talk about it.

Mr. Slade: You'll have to help me get some tickets.

Mr. Hartwick: I was a little taken bit taken back, because you and I speak frequently. You are like family to me. It is great that you have family here in the audience and school board representative, Rachel Slade and Principal Jack Slade, who have been pillars in our community and has not only been in Steelton and will continue to roll with the Rollers.

Mr. Slade: You have to say "We love the Rollers."

Mr. Hartwick: The mighty, mighty Rollers...We love you Mr. Slade seriously from the welcoming person to being able to make sure everybody is made to feel comfortable and equal regardless of you coming here as a homeless person or somebody who is here on a business matter. Everybody was treated the same by Mr. Slade. I'm going to miss you as my friend, but I know I'm going to see you up in the grandstands at the football season so we can talk about the young talent and how we are going to rip Coach Deibler's butt when Middletown comes to Steelton. We appreciate all your service and most importantly I appreciate your friendship and guidance. You will be missed. Congratulations!

(Applause was given and pictures were taken.)

Mr. Moore: I would be remiss if I didn't say congratulations to the Lady Rollers and Coach Chisholm and his coaching staff. Mr. Chisholm was with me for seven years. It kind of reminds me when I was with the kids and I think I heard one of the young ladies say coach just drop the trench coat before you get up there. Congratulations! The Commissioners were saying that you are a role model to the community and you are. Your level has increased. Coach Chisholm next year will be a much better speaker. It all comes through a circle. You will be much better student athletes. The reason why

you won last year and I had the opportunity to see you play four or five games last year and you were just learning how to win. You couldn't understand why you weren't winning those close ones. Over the summer you worked hard and you learned how to win, but the biggest thing that you learned how to do, if you really think about it, you're winning at home. You must be doing well at the house. If you can't win at home, you can't win. The second place that you won at is in the classroom. You have to win in the classroom. If you can win at home and in the classroom you can win on the court. Congratulations to the Lady Rollers. Keep up the good job. You are going to be here the next couple years. To Malia, congratulations! Someone just whispered in my ear that you were in Sports Illustrated – congratulations and kudos to that too. Keep up the good work and by all means stay respectful in your home and do the right thing in school and everything will open up to you. Thanks Commissioners for looking out for them.

Commissioners: Congratulations!

C. Dauphin County Commissioners

1. Proclamation – Victims' Rights Week

Mr. Hartwick: Moving on in the Agenda to something that we celebrate to something that is a little bit more serious and quite frankly a service that in our County we have in my opinion and travel around the State some of the best victim advocates than anywhere else in the State of Pennsylvania. I know this week also coincides with National Child Abuse Prevention Month and we represent victims at all levels; whether it be through domestic violence or individuals who have been victims of crime, system of children and youth, in the aging level, we take care of all age ranges, socio and economic groups and gender. You see the fallout of the tragedies that exist when horrific crimes happen in our community. If it weren't for victim advocates we would not have the level of support within the community, the restitution that's being able to be provided and lives being directed back to being able to be productive after folks have already been significantly victimized and traumatized. It gives me great pride to know that we've got some of the best advocates in the State of Pennsylvania to take care of those who have been victimized. It also gives me great pride and pleasure on behalf of this Board of Commissioners to honor those individuals who have dedicated their life to a higher calling and to the ability to offer that support that is so necessary for victims of crime.

(Mr. Hartwick read the following Proclamation.)

Office of County Commissioner
Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Proclamation

We, the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners, join with communities across America to call attention to victims' rights and remember those we have lost so tragically during the 31st National Crime Victims' Rights Week in America;

***Whereas,** crime is one of society's most insidious problems, with more than 33 million Americans affected by crime each year, causing emotional, physical and psychological suffering and financial harm;*

***Whereas,** victim assistance and compensation programs across the county provide vital and supportive services for victims that help individual, families and communities cope with the impact of crime;*

***Whereas,** public officials, criminal and juvenile justice professionals, victim advocates, members of the clergy and the general public must unite to do all they can to address the challenges in ensuring that all crime victims and survivors are treated with dignity, respect, courtesy and sensitivity;*

***Whereas,** we also gratefully acknowledge grassroots organizations, such as the Victim/Witness Assistance Program, which is the recipient of the Governors' 2010 Pathfinder Award for Excellence in Victims Services for serving 8,149 clients and striving to reduce the trauma of a crime by empowering and assisting clients in reconstructing their lives;*

***Therefore,** it is with a heavy heart and sincere hopes for relief that we honor the lives of those so violently taken from us and hold vigil; in honor of their memory, we declare April 11th to 15th, 2011 as "National Crime Victims' Rights Week" in Dauphin County; we give a heartfelt thanks to the many heroes who offer support, and we urge the community at large to join together to combat this agonizing social crisis and protect our citizens from harm.*

Mr. Pries: I echo those comments. It is a very serious issue. The Board supports this and all that you do on behalf of all those individuals who have been impacted.

Mr. Haste: As George was reading the Proclamation, I was trying to remember exactly when, but it has been in the last couple months, I came across someone and we were having a discussion. When I think of victim witness what oftentimes comes to my mind is your support going through trial, being the shoulder to lean on and the hand to hold. This person was recounting a story about how it was sometime even after the case and the person just was having a very difficult time and didn't know who to turn to because the rest of the family apparently was having a difficult time too and they just didn't know where to go. She remembered the contacts that she had made through the process and reached out to one of your volunteers and that person was actually able to sometime even after we think it's over with, this person was able to reach out and knew that there was someone there that they could talk to. That is just one of the unspoken things that your association does. It is nice to know and it is good to hear from them that she knew, again even sometime after the official part of it was over with, she had somewhere to turn to. I think that is what really helps our community. Thank you very much.

Ms. Storm: Thank you for the acknowledgement. Obviously 8,000 clients served is not a number that we are proud of, because that means that there have been over 8,000 individuals in Dauphin County who are harmed. We are proud though that we are able to reach out and provide those services and that we maintain the funding and the status in this County so we can do that. We wouldn't be able to have that without the generous support of the grants that we receive and the in-kind donations that we receive from Dauphin County. I just want to acknowledge these women, because they make up the services that go out to those 8,000 individuals and they are the people that you see at 3:00 in the morning or 12:00 in the afternoon at trials, they are tireless advocates. As you can imagine having served that many clients their feet are tired and their hearts are heavy, but they come to work every day with an amazing spirit. You guys have been here for a while and you notice that it is the same faces that come back

every year and that is something that I'm very proud of as a Director. These women are some of the most dedicated, passionate and amazing people that I have ever had the privilege and honor to work with. They truly do serve Dauphin County residents. We get creative in our services. We'll meet them at the crime scene and sometimes we stay with them through four or longer years down the road. They will move heaven and earth to make sure our client has services. I've seen them get very creative over the years in trying to manipulate resources to make sure that we are really meeting our clients exactly where they are. I'm very proud of each and every one of them.

Barbara Corbin, Juvenile; Jenna Wheale, Juvenile, Barbara Strupe, Harrisburg Police, Lu Botterbusch, Main office, Patricia Lysic, Protection from Abuse Coordinator, Maritza Torres-Lau, PFA Coordinator; Ashley Bender, Northern Dauphin Advocate, Tanya Snell, Swatara Police Advocate, Michelle Stackfield and Vikke Palmer.

(Applause was given.)

Ms. Storm: We are missing three of our advocates, Amanda, Annette and Ashley. They are out at trials.

(Pictures were taken.)

D. Dauphin County Commissioners

1. Proclamation - National Telecommunicators' Week and Stork Awards

Mr. Pries: We have another Proclamation to provide today. That is based upon National Telecommunicators Week and our stork award.

(Mr. Pries read the following Proclamation.)

Office of County Commissioner
Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Proclamation

We, the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners, take immense pride and pleasure in commending the extraordinary composure, compassion and expertise of our exceedingly valuable, but often unrecognized, Public Safety Telecommunicators during the week of April 10th to 16th of 2011;

Whereas, 52 full-time and six part-time Public Safety Telecommunicators effectively serve the citizens of Dauphin County by offering callers life-saving medical instructions 24-hours a day, 7 days a week, and dispatching the fire, police, and medical units urgently needed in an emergency;

Whereas, since 1991, we have recognized dispatchers nationwide, and although they are often invisible at the scene of an emergency, the indispensable functions performed by professional telecommunicators have directly contributed to saving life and property in Dauphin County;

Whereas, in 2010, Dauphin County's skillful and always reliable telecommunicators have answered more than 300,000 calls, ranging from victims of natural disasters, to troubled persons contemplating suicide, to witnesses of horrifying

accidents and crimes, each time patiently assisting terrified callers and providing rapid response to get the care needed during a great time of distress;

***Therefore,** in grateful tribute to the life-rendering aid offered by the calm, competent and reassuring voice at the other end of every 911 call, we join the 268,000 residents of Dauphin County and the nation in proclaiming the week of April 10th to 16th, 2011 as "National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week;" we proudly honor and thank our county telecommunicators for serving as the vital link between those in need of help and those skilled, poised and eager to offer critical aid, each and every time an emergency occurs.*

(Applause was given.)

Mr. Hartwick: We don't want to underplay the vital role and importance of Telecommunicators in this County. We have constantly heard of our ability to step above and beyond in our commitment. We are committed public servants. We certainly have folks who have dedicated their lives to the better public interest and safety of our residents. Quite frankly without your professionalism and support we wouldn't be able to be as responsive in local law enforcement as we are. Through your training, commitment to excellence and your ability for all telecommunicators to take their job as seriously as you do and knowing how vital your role is that is exemplified by the way that department is viewed and your service. We want to say thank you. We recognize your great accomplishments. We only have one stork pin here today. You deal with emergencies, like delivering babies. We are grateful that we have committed servants with these high levels of skills. Thank you for the work that you do.

Mr. Haste: I think a testimony to how good of a job our Dauphin County telecommunicators do is actually reflected in the last 24 hours where all the media attention was on the drill. The drill went on and the early reports are that I understand we did very well with the drill. While that drill and all that excess work and commotion was going on the regular operations never missed a beat. It went on unnoticed. That is probably the biggest testimony that you can get is that it went unnoticed, no glitch, no problem while everything else was going on around it. That is the nature of the folks that we have out there. Thank you very much!

Mr. Pries: Speaking of the TMI exercise drill, we have the Director of EMA here, Steve Libhart, can you come up and accept the Proclamation and give us a summary of last evening's event.

Mr. Libhart: The fact that it is the week to recognize the telecommunicators is very appropriate. Because they do their job well, they are relatively anonymous. You get the other individual's name on the other end of that line if there is an issue. The fact that people don't know a lot of names, because of the job they are providing from our offices in the 9-1-1 center speaks volumes about their confidence and dedication in the job. The recognition is well deserved. I'm quite proud of each individual we have there.

As everyone knows we had the TMI exercise last night. It was not just us. It was basically an exercise that originates with TMI. It impacted parts of Cumberland, Lancaster, York and Lebanon counties. The initial indication from the evaluators at FEMA is that we did well. They did not bring to our attention informally last evening at

the conclusion of the exercise any issue that was something that would require corrective action or that would be characterized as a deficiency. There is a hotwash tomorrow and there may be some things that will be brought to our attention that they feel we can do better, but not something that graded out as an area for concern. I think that is a direct result of the people that we have in our operations staff and the litany of volunteers we have to man the emergency operations center. Commissioner Pries was there and saw firsthand. It almost looks like organized chaos. There is a host of individuals with the responsibilities. They have to communicate with everyone else that their responsibilities touch on. Again, the 9-1-1 Center last night of all nights had a really busy night. The evaluator initially started in there to see the initial call come in to implement the onset of the exercise. I think he just kind of got the feeling that there is a lot going here, I'm getting out of here. They pretty much left our 9-1-1 Center alone. The 9-1-1 Center did their part throughout the night and went unnoticed and then everybody else took it from there. Of particular note is the fact that we were giving the evaluators a tour of our facility before the actual evaluation period began. Our operations guy specifically, the guys that are predominately our haz mat response team and operations staff, Chris Fisher, Kirsten Cohick, Bob Stout, Denny Harris and Dan Scully. Amongst themselves over the last couple of years, not just with this exercise, but with a lot of our operational components have developed an in-house living document, as a point of analysis for a way to do things better. We started showing that to the evaluators and they were absolutely floored. They were so impressed with it that they asked us for a blank template of what we are doing and said that they would like to see this implemented everywhere. I think that really deserves some recognition for those individuals for bringing that up and implementing it. We should be proud to have them.

Mr. Pries: I would like to add as I looked around that room last night we were represented from firefighters, police officers, organizations from the northern end to the southern end of the County, outstanding staff from EMA, County staff, Laura Evans, our Chief of Staff was there, Scott Burford, Amy Richards and also Diane McNaughton, who used to work for the County came and offered her expertise during that 5-hour drill. Let's hope we never need to utilize the services of that type of drill, but if and when we do we will be more than prepared to assist the residents of the County and the folks within the region. Congratulations! I thought last night ran very smoothly.

Mr. Libhart: During that evaluation and the Commissioner was made aware of this as we were doing our walkthroughs, the public information officer is the person that is scrutinized the hardest throughout these drills in the aftermath of TMI and even Chernobyl, the one thing that always gets pinned on is communication with the public was lacking. FEMA evaluators very rarely interact with the individuals throughout their period of evaluation, but the evaluator that was standing behind Amy last night was so impressed with the speed and efficiency with which she crafted her media releases and getting information out to others that she made a point of saying I can't believe you are working that fast, that is really good. For them to kind of break their protocol to do that I think merits mentioning.

Mr. Hartwick: I will attest to that...She was focused yesterday making sure she was extremely prepared. I know she took the drill very seriously and I'm glad that was the evaluation. I know she worked hard at it.

Mr. Pries: She was certainly focused. Not to keep you on the hot seat, but while you are here I usually at the end of the meeting give an update on where we are at with the police dispatch transition from the City to the County. How are we looking?

Mr. Libhart: I think one area that we need to continue to work on and the media has done a fantastic job assisting us from day one since we started discussing this issue is to continue to let the residents of the City and the region know of what we are doing and when the projected transition date will be completed. Thank you to the members of the media.

Mr. Pries: One more award today and as Commissioner Hartwick had mentioned earlier is a stork pin. That goes to the telecommunicators who delivered babies over the phone. We have an outstanding employee with us here today. His name is Ryan Rogers. He had a successful over the phone delivery of a baby girl on April 8, 2010. It has been a year and you had mentioned that when I first said hello to you when you came in, but we wanted to make sure that you were recognized for your outstanding service to those residents of the County who called in and needed your assistance. You stayed calm, cool and collected and helped deliver that baby over the phone. Ryan, we have an award for you here today with an actual stork pin.

(Applause was given.)

Mr. Rogers: Thank you for the Proclamation for National Telecommunicators Week. On the amount of calls that we take throughout the whole year and I was at the TMI exercise last night and then immediately after I was there for my regular 11-7 shift overnight. Every day is different. We sit at different positions each day. It can be call takers, police dispatchers, fire dispatchers, EMS dispatchers. One call I can be answering someone reporting their lost dog at night. The next call, two minutes later, could be someone reporting that their grandfather is having a cardiac arrest. The next call can be just a burglar alarm at a commercial business. Every call is different each minute. We take so many calls each day. I remember this one, but vaguely. It is good that we take the different calls that we take. We get the bad calls, the domestic violence, especially when we take the calls from the children. I have three children myself and it scares me when we take the calls from the children, because you can tell in their voice that they are scared. We stay on the line until those officers arrive and ensure the safety of the family. We also ensure the safety of our responders as well to get as much information. We get that information into the computer system and out to the officers so they know what they are getting into. The amount of calls that we take every day is different and every incident is different.

Mr. Pries: That just shows what we have said before that the telecommunicators are the unsung heroes of the County. They are 24/7. You don't ask questions. You just respond and assist those residents in need at their time of greatest need.

(Applause was given.)

SALARY BOARD

A complete set of Salary Board Meeting Minutes are on file in the Commissioners' Office.

HUMAN RESOURCES

Ms. Lengle: Do you have any questions on the items in the Personnel Packet? (There was none.)

It was moved by Mr. Pries and seconded by Mr. Hartwick that the Board approve the Personnel Packet.

Question: Mr. Haste – Aye; Mr. Pries – Aye and Mr. Hartwick – Aye; motion carried.

PURCHASE ORDERS

Mr. Baratucci: The Purchase Order Packet is the same as last week. There are a couple minor budget adjustments that were made. Unless you have any questions it is there for your approval.

It was moved by Mr. Hartwick and seconded by Mr. Pries that the Board approve the Purchase Order Packet.

Question: Mr. Haste – Aye; Mr. Pries – Aye and Mr. Hartwick – Aye; motion carried.

REPORT FROM BUDGET & FINANCE – MIKE YOHE

Mr. Yohe made the following Report:

Report from the Office of Budget & Finance
April 13, 2011

- **April 1, 2011** transferred **\$4,005,246.05** to the **Payables** account from the County's Concentration account for checks issued that week.
- **April 8, 2011** transferred **\$4,048,613.21** to the **Payables** account and **\$1,906,458.23** to the **Payroll** account from the County's Concentration account for checks issued that week.

- **Wire Payments since last report: \$2,691,419.72**
- **Debt Service Payments since last report: \$129,322.53**
- **Total Term Investments**
 - 1/13/11 - \$10,011,728.43 6-mo. CD - Susquehanna Bank – 0.550% - matures 7/14/11
 - 3/31/11 - \$10,000,150.40 6-mo. CD - Susquehanna Bank – 0.550% - matures 9/29/11
- **Balance today in PA INVEST account #2100017144860: \$1,377.98 rate 0.070%**
- **Balance today in Susquehanna Bank investment account #119002023: \$27,933,931.54 rate 0.250%**
- **Balance today in First National Bank investment account #97014743: \$7,554,324.32 rate 0.580%**
(This rate equals today's PLGIT-Class interest rate of 0.030% plus 55 basis points)
- **Balance today in Citizens Bank Municipal Money Market Checking account #6221269710 - \$100.00 rate 0.00%**
- **Balance today in Integrity Bank Money Market Checking account - #2206001209 - \$15,080,514.60 rate 0.650%**
- **Balance today in PNC Bank investment account #5004319839: \$20,744,872.74 rate 0.300%**
- **Balance today in Graystone Bank investment account #1610000596: \$250,087.38 rate 0.500%**
- **Balance today in Metro Bank investment account #0536557523: \$101.36 rate 0.120%**

No T.R.A.N. Line of Credit required for 2011.

Mr. Haste: I don't know if I would rush to put money in at .3.

Mr. Yohe: It's either there or the .25 at Susquehanna.

Mr. Haste: We can't get PNC to take more?

Mr. Yohe: I'll check again.

Mr. Haste: I mean First National.

Mr. Yohe: I'll check again, but they were pretty clear that \$7.5 million and it is creeping up because of the interest that we earned on that in the last year.

Mr. Pries: What is the background on Citizens Bank Money Market Checking Account 0.00%? What was their highest level?

Mr. Yohe: Citizens was one of our three partners for years. They were paying us back in the day 4.5% or 5%, but as the interest rates dropped the cost of the collateral for government funds was just too much. Their big decision was that we would keep the account open, but we're not going to pay any interest on it. I'm hoping that when the interest rates rebound rather than go through and establish the account again and do all that paperwork that we'll have the account open ready to put some money in.

REPORT FROM DEPUTY CHIEF CLERK/CHIEF OF STAFF – J. SCOTT BURFORD

Mr. Burford: I have a couple of things to note. Our Solid Waste Department has a couple of recycling events coming up. One is in recognition of Earth Day. It is on Saturday, April 23. Also the National Drug Take Back Day which is coming up as well. I do want to point out that one of our partners, Commuter Services is sponsoring their annual Ride-to-Work Week starting Sunday, the 17th. It will go through the following Saturday, the 23rd.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT – GUY BENEVENTANO, ESQ.

Mr. Benevento: Unless you have questions, I have nothing to add to the Solicitor's final revised report. (There was none.)

MATTERS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

- A. Training Packet.
- B. Proposed Stipulation of Settlement for Tax Assessment Appeal for Shri Sai Middletown, LLC – 815 Eisenhower Blvd., Best Western Harrisburg Airport – Parcel #36-007-081.
- C. Agreement Renewal between Dauphin County and Verizon Select Services, Inc. for the Plant CML Monitor and Response Service for VESTA and MAARS/ComCentrex Equipment at 123 Walnut Street, Harrisburg, PA for the period April 1, 2011 – June 30, 2011.
- D. 2011-2012 Software Maintenance Contract between Dauphin County and Intergraph for Computer Aided Dispatch System for the period 5/1/2011 – 5/1/2012.
- E. Resolution #12-2011 adopting the Hazard Vulnerability Assessment and Mitigation Plan Update.
- F. Request to waive 2010 County/Municipal Tax penalties for Kevin Friel – Parcel #68-046-018 (468 Woodruff Way) - \$229.18.

- G. Request to waive County Tax penalties for Shawn Haviland – Parcel #36-018-105 - \$60.34.
- H. Performing Artists Contracts:
 - 1. Dauphin County – Cultural Festival – August 10, 2011 – The Impact Band
 - 2. Dauphin County – Jazz Festival – September 10, 2011 – David Bach Consort
 - 3. Dauphin County – Jazz Festival – September 10, 2011 – Nick Colionne and Four 80 East
- I. HRG Project No. 000208.0113 – Agreement and Performance and Payment Bonds for Jay Fulkroad and Sons for the Dauphin County Bridge No. 34 Rehabilitation Project.
- J. Amendment #2 to Purchase of Service Agreement between Children & Youth and Catholic Charities.
- K. Adoption Assistance Agreements #2011-11, #2011-13, #2011-14 and #2011-15.
- L. Subsidized Legal Custodianship Agreement #2011-01.
- M. Purchase of Service Agreements between Human Services Director's Office and:
 - 1. Frank H. Stroup
 - 2. Patricia Gadsden
- N. Memorandum of Understanding between Dauphin County and the Central Dauphin School District.
- O. Amendment to Article 31 of the Policies and Procedures for Captains and Lieutenants.
- P. Grant Agreements for the 2010/2011 Local Share Municipal Gaming Grant Program:
 - 1. Grant No. 2011-01: Borough of Hummelstown – Renovations/Upgrades to East Main Street Sewage Pump Station - \$125,000.00
 - 2. Grant No. 2011-03: Dauphin County General Authority – Funding Support for the 150th Anniversary of the American Civil War and related Cross-Marketing with Dauphin Highlands Golf Course - \$50,000.00
 - 3. Grant No. 2011-05: Derry Township – Purchase of New Rescue Truck for Hershey Volunteer Fire Company - \$595,000.00
 - 4. Grant No. 2011-06: Jackson Township – Renovations to Fisherville Volunteer Fire Company - \$85,000.00
 - 5. Grant No. 2011-11: Lower Swatara Township – Purchase New Fire Rescue Truck for Lower Swatara Volunteer Fire Department - \$400,000.00
 - 6. Grant No. 2011-14: Borough of Middletown – Renovations to the Liberty Fire Company No. 2 - \$300,000.00
 - 7. Grant No. 2011-16: Rush Township – Purchase of Truck fitted with a Spreader and Snow Plow & Equipment associated with the New Municipal Building - \$95,000.00
 - 8. Grant No. 2011-17: South Hanover Township – Preparation of a Design Plan associated with the construction of a Municipal Complex
 - 9. Grant No. 2011-18: Borough of Steelton – Renovations and Upgrades to the Mohn Street Park Facility
 - 10. Grant No. 2011-20: West Hanover Township – Reimbursement of Monies used to Purchase a Right-of-Way & Relocate Utilities located on S.R. 39 - \$200,000.00
 - 11. Grant No. 2011-21: West Hanover Township – Construction of a New Central Fire Station - \$300,000.00

12. Grant No. 2011-22: Wiconisco Township – Funding to Retire Debt owed on Fire Rescue Truck owned by Wiconisco Fire Engine Company No. 1 - \$160,000.00
13. Grant No. 2011-24: American Red Cross of Susquehanna Valley – Purchase of Automated External Defibrillator Machines for Placement throughout the County & Public Educational Awareness Programs - \$127,000.00
14. Grant No. 2011-25: Conewago Township/Lower Dauphin School District – Funding for a Traffic Signal at the Intersection of S.R. 743 and Schoolhouse Road - \$144,000.00
15. Grant No. 2011-27: Derry Township/Hershey-Derry Township Historical Society – Rehabilitation/Renovation of Grantee’s museum and Office Building - \$5,000.00
16. Grant No. 2011-28: Halifax Borough/Halifax Fire Department – Purchase of New Pumper for Fire Department - \$240,000.00
17. Grant No. 2011-29: Harrisburg Area Community College – Renovations/New Construction related to the Expansion of the Shumaker Public Safety Center on Grantee’s campus in the City of Harrisburg - \$250,000.00
18. Grant No. 2011-30: Harrisburg University of Science and Technology – Funding for the Creation of an Information Technology Support Services Center - \$55,000.00
19. Grant No. 2011-31: Latino Hispanic American Community Center – Purchase of Office Equipment - \$5,000.00
20. Grant No. 2011-32: Pinnacle Health System – Purchase of Equipment to Furnish Certain Areas of Emergency Services Department - \$183,000.00
21. Grant No. 2011-33: Ned Smith Center for Nature & Art – Construction/Installation of a Handicap Accessible Elevator - \$100,000.00

- Q. Hotel Tax Distribution to Blackman MMA for \$2,000.
- R. Letter to PEMA regarding the appointment of Stephen B. Libhart as the Emergency Management Coordinator for the County of Dauphin.
- S. Appointment of Bridget Glunz-Wenner to the MH/ID Advisory Board. Term expires December 31, 2013.
- T. Appointment of Rev. Dr. Charles R. Meile, Jr. to the Schaffner Youth Advisory Board. Term expires December 31, 2013.
- U. Request to contribute the County’s pro-rata share (\$2,099.84) for appraisal services and trial costs needed to ascertain the true value of Verdelli Farms, Inc., 7505 Grayson Road, Swatara Township, Parcel #63-018-046 & #63-018-116, Docket No. 2010-CV-1370-TX.

Mr. Haste: We have items on the Agenda requiring Board Action, items A through U. Are there any that need to be pulled out and dealt with separately?

Mr. Hartwick: I need to recuse myself on letter J.

It was moved by Mr. Hartwick and seconded by Mr. Pries that the Board approve Matters Requiring Board Action, Items A through U, noting that Mr. Hartwick is recusing himself on Item J.

Question: Mr. Haste – Aye; Mr. Pries – Aye and Mr. Hartwick – Aye; motion carried.

FORMER BUSINESS

(There was none.)

NEW BUSINESS

(There was none.)

COMMISSIONERS' DISCUSSION & ACTIONS

(There was none.)

CORRESPONDENCE

Mr. Haste: We have correspondence listed on the Agenda, Items A through F, which will be handled by the staff appropriately.

- A. Receipt of a letter from Abby Gabner advising that she is resigning from the Dauphin County General Authority Board.
- A. Notification from H. Edward Black and Associates, P.C. advising that Mr. Gallo of Palm Development, Inc. advising that he is applying to DEP for a renewal to General NPDES Permit for stormwater discharges associated with construction activities for the Wilshire Estates Residential Development Project in Lower Paxton Township.
- B. Notification from Skelly and Loy advising that Rausch Creek Land, L.P. intends to file a Coal Completion Report to DEP for the release of the entire bond for the Underkoffler Breaker Bond Release SMP No. 22851601.
- C. Notification from H. Edward Black and Associates, Ltd. Advising that Daniel Schiavoni is applying to DEP for a General NPDES Permit for stormwater discharges associated with construction activities at the project located at 6690 Linglestown Road, Lower Paxton Township.
- D. Notification from Light-Heigel & Associates, Inc. advising that P&K, LLC is applying to DEP for a NPDES Permit for stormwater discharges associated with construction activities at the Subdivision and Land Development (4 residential lots) Project in Conewago Township.
- F. Notification from RJ Fisher & Associates, Inc. advising that they are applying to DEP for a NPDES Permit with regard to the Mindy Meadows Project in Lower Paxton Township.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Haste: We are again at the point in time in the meeting for public participation. Is there anyone in the audience that would like to address the Board? (There was none.)

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, it was moved by Mr. Pries and seconded by Mr. Hartwick that the Board adjourn.

Respectfully submitted,

Laura E. Evans, Esq.
Chief Clerk

Transcribed by: Richie-Ann Martz