MEMBERS PRESENT

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

STAFF PRESENT

Laura Cullison, Esq., Chief Clerk; Marie E. Rebuck, Controller; Janis Creason, Treasurer; Joseph A. Curcillo, III, Esq., Solicitor; Robert Burns, Director of Area Agency on Aging; Gerald Feaser, Jr., Director of Registration & Elections; Fred Lighty, Esq., Solicitor’s Office; Carl Dickson, Director of Parks & Recreation; Larry Moore, Parks & Recreation; Amy Harinath, Press Secretary; Catharine Kilgore, District Attorney’s Office; Dave Schreiber, Human Resources; Randy Baratucci, Director of Purchasing; Mike Yohe, Director of Budget & Finance; Bobby Sisock, Court Administration; Tony DiFrancesco, Director of Veterans Affairs; Kay Lengle, Human Resources; August Memmi, Director of Community & Economic Development; Brad Winnick, Chief Public Defender; Julie Mackey, Commissioners’ Office; Melody Osborn, Commissioners’ Office; Ruby Doub, Commissioners’ Office and Richie-Ann Martz, Assistant Chief Clerk

GUESTS PRESENT

Mark Stewart, James Roxbury, Ian Pannebakker, Susan Germak, Thomas Germak, Bradley DeLancy, Lisa Schaefer, Trey Buoy, Jamie Berrier, Mary Beth Follett, Barb Miller, Stacey Basore, Karl Singleton, Colin Cleary, Albert Mantz and Glen Dunbar

MINUTES
CALL TO ORDER

Mr. Haste, Chairman of the Board, called the meeting to order at 10:07 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 January 22, 2014 Workshop Meeting Minutes and the January 29, 2014 Legislative Meeting Minutes; motion carried.

It was moved by Mr. Hartwick and seconded by Mr. Pries that the Board approve the January 29, 2014 Salary Board Meeting; motion carried.

ELECTION BOARD MEETING

A complete set of Election Board Meeting Minutes are on file in the Commissioners’ Office.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS HELD BETWEEN MEETINGS

Ms. Cullison reported that there was no Executive Sessions held between meetings.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Germak: I called Commissioner Hartwick’s Office and explained the situation to his Assistant. I received a letter from the Commissioners’ Office indicating that the Commissioners were aware of the situation. Thank you for that letter. I contacted numerous government officials, including the Federal Representatives -- Charlie Dent, Senator Casey and Senator Toomey. I have not heard anything from them. I called every day for two weeks and did not hear anything. The Administrative Assistant from Congressman Dent’s Office is sending a release form, which has not arrived yet. I own a small business in Middletown and have been in business for 40 years. I own four parcels in the floodplain and I do carry flood insurance. It was affordable. After the 2011 flood, the premium in 2012 rose to about $1,000. The premium this year is $2,500. It presents an extreme hardship. I just got done paying my real estate taxes for school and county. I’m looking at a $2,500 bill at the end of February to pay. There is no payment schedule. There is no competitiveness in the system. My insurance agent says that he is just the middleman. He recommended that I contact the legislators. I
tried contacting the flood insurance people. They know nothing. They give you no
advice. I went to the code enforcement officers in the Borough of Middletown. I had a
long conversation with the code enforcement officer there and in Londonderry
Township. I contacted FEMA and that went nowhere. FEMA gave me a number of a
person in Dauphin that was supposedly the local representative. I called that number
and they didn’t know the gentleman. Dauphin Borough folks gave me another number,
which turned out to be Light-Heigel in Palmyra. They didn’t know the gentleman. It
became frustrating. I want to pay my share and insure my property, but the note in the
letter says that the insurance will go up again 25% until someone makes a decision as
to where it may go. I researched the flood maps and they are of very poor quality. I
talked to people at the Susquehanna River Basin Commission. I wanted to talk to
someone who could interpret the maps. They wanted to help, but they are of poor
quality and it was recommended that I call FEMA in Philadelphia. I’m in the process of
contacting FEMA. It is a very frustrating situation. This year I’m looking at three flood
insurance policies, the first one was $2,500 for 2014 to 2015. I have two more coming.
I’m assuming that they will be somewhere in the same range. I have to pay it or I fall
into a different category. I’m going to find the money somehow to pay it. I have to have
flood insurance. It is a life investment. I can’t risk taking a chance to go without flood
insurance. There needs to be a fair solution and a broader base of some sort. What
most people don’t realize and after reading on the Internet and talking to different
people they said you shouldn’t have bought property close to the water. I bought where
the zoning is applicable. The property that I have is zoned commercial/industrial and is
zoned for all the things that I do. A majority of the commercial/industrial property in
Middletown and Londonderry Township is in the floodplain. I thought I did the right
thing. I paid insurance from day one. It was affordable. If there was a broader base
perhaps with the insurance people it could be spread out so everyone could have an
amicable solution. Probably half of the water damage in the Middletown area that I am
familiar with, was not from the river or the creek. It was surface water. Middletown High
School, they sit high in a farm field, water came down and blew out the boiler room.
There was over $1 million in damage. That was one of the single largest claims in that
area. I had a claim and the chemical company had a claim. The insurance company
took care of it. What has happened, I had neighbors that were two retired school
teachers, 82 and 84. They owned their home. They were in the flood fringe area. Their
premium, at the time, was probably around $1,000 for a $120,000 home. They loved
living there. Do they pay oil, flood insurance, prescriptions, taxes or flood insurance?
Unfortunately they didn’t get the raise that the other teachers got in 2002. They had
retired prior to that. Water came up and went down quick. The basement walls
collapsed. Their house is a total loss. They are virtually homeless. Fortunately, the
church that they belong to gave them a property to move into, as long as they paid the
utilities and kept it up they could stay there. Since then the one lady has passed away.
The other lady is trying to hang on. That is pretty much the case. Most people want to
do the right thing and buy flood insurance, but it has to be affordable. He is 65 years
old and he was going to sell the property that he owned. Today it is virtually worthless.
When you tell someone that they are going to have to spend in excess of $10,000, can
it be insured or can you get banks to finance – no. I invested my life savings in and paid
taxes on and no alternative. I’m sure that there are a number of people that are faced
with that.  Middletown has lost about 60 homes to the FAA buy out, about 60 homes to the FEMA buy outs and probably 60 people who just bailed.  Middletown is a small town.  I live on Conewago Street and there are four houses that are not in the flood zone that are empty.  They can't be sold.  I was flooded twice and I'm not in the flood zone.  I'm 100 feet above the Swatara Creek and at least 100 feet above the Susquehanna River.  The water came off the parking lot at the Giant Store.  Ice and snow had clogged the storm sewers and he shoveled his walks and the water came in.  I took care of it.  I read where in Florida the state legislators have somehow forgone the flood insurance increases for their constituents.  That was on the computer and I'm not sure if that is true or not.  I'm waiting to hear something from Congressman Dent and the senators.  Thank you for your time.  This is a very delicate issue.

Mr. Hartwick indicated that there will be some dialogue and discussion about this later on in the Agenda.  He welcomed them to stick around.  This Board has been ringing the alarm since November to discuss what the actual impacts are going to be to people.  This is not about your second coastal home in Florida.  This is about an investment that you made.  You only wanted to improve the business.  He doesn't know how the communities are going to survive.  The Board has raised this issue and is going to be out in front of this issue.  This Board has been actively engaged in both a formal level of conversation with our Federal officials and they need to be held accountable.  This has real impacts on real lives.  There will be no larger impact to our communities and to individuals than this flood insurance issue.  The Board has also provided extensive mapping and hopefully some maps that are a lot easier to read related to the floodplain.  This is a number one issue.  Unfortunately, the Board is not in a position to control the direct outcome, but it will do everything within its power and pull together a grassroots effort to ensure that our Federal representatives understand the exact level of impact to individual constituents and to the communities and the taxing authorities.  The Board will be loud and direct and try to advocate for your best interest and the County’s best interest.  It is everybody’s problem.  With the loss of revenue, who do you think will be making up those significant losses in real estate revenue…it will be everybody else in the County.  The Federal government needs to stop the implementation of this Act and find alternatives.

DEPARTMENT DIRECTORS/GUESTS

A.  Dauphin County Commissioners

1.  Proclamation – Jordan Hill, Seattle Seahawks – Super Bowl Champion

Mr. Haste asked Jordan to come forward.  He introduced Mr. Hill, who plays for the Seattle Seahawks and mentioned that he made many Eagle fans become Seattle Seahawk fans.

Mr. Hartwick indicated that he has known Jordan since he was a little kid.  He is from Steelton and this is the first Super Bowl ring in the history of Steelton-Highspire.  His
character, personality and work ethic make him a great role model. He is all about hard work and family. Your family, friends and county residents are very proud of you.

Mr. Hartwick read the following Proclamation:

Office of County Commissioners
Dauphin County, Pennsylvania

Proclamation

We, the Dauphin County Board of Commissioners, are deeply honored and proud to congratulate Steelton’s own Jordan “Big J.” Hill on his team’s remarkable Super Bowl victory and outstanding athletic achievements, both in professional and student sports;

Whereas, on February 2, 2014, the Seattle Seahawks defeated the Denver Broncos 43 - 8 in a stunning victory at Super Bowl 48;

Whereas, this Penn State Football Team co-captain, two-time Big Ten Defensive Player of the Week, and 2012 second-team All-American has soared to great heights on the Seahawks team as a defensive lineman;

Whereas, the 6-foot, 303-pound Number 97 joined the Seahawks in the third round of the NFL Draft after an impressive college football career;

Whereas, since his childhood, when he played midget and pee wee football with his cousin Lloyd “Big Cat” Hill, Jordan showed unparalleled athletic ability and dedication – and he never missed a practice;

Therefore, we join the 268,000 residents of Dauphin County in applauding the much-admired and awe-inspiring Jordan Hill for his Super Bowl championship and award-winning college and high school football career; we commend this extraordinarily talented Steelton star for his determination and down-to-earth spirit and congratulate him on his triumphant achievements; and in grateful recognition thereof; we do hereby proudly proclaim February 12, 2014 as “Jordan Hill Day” in Dauphin County.

(Applause was given.)

Mr. Pries stated Mr. Hill joins the others from the area – Marcus Colston, LeSean McCoy and Ricky Waters. Your honesty and integrity is a great part of who you are. Every Super Bowl has had a representative of the Big 33. You not only played, but you won. Mr. Pries son said that the Seattle Seahawks would win the Super Bowl, because of Jordan Hill. His son remembered Jordan at an event for kids. Everyone is very proud of Mr. Hill.

Mr. Haste stated that he was talking with his wife about meeting Mr. Hill at the Big 33. Jordan is a class act. He is humble and grounded. He reaches out to area kids, like he did with Mr. Pries’ son and that means a lot to our area youth.
Mr. Hill thanked the Commissioners for their support. The support from Steelton and the surrounding area made him feel at home. It helps make his life easier.

(Applause was given and pictures were taken.)

B. Insurance Impact Presentations (The statements made by citizens is their testimony.)

Mr. Haste stated that the Board has been fighting hard on this through our NACo organization. The Senate did decide to delay it. There is a lot of heavy lifting ahead of the Board. The role that each and every one is playing – don’t under estimate what you have to say. Everyone needs to write their Congressman as much as possible. Also contact your State Senator and Representative. The Senate had a hearing a couple weeks ago. CCAP has also made it their priority as well. The number one state in the union that was affected by this was Pennsylvania. People don’t realize that. Lykens Borough is 82%. This is a federal problem that was started by the federal government. This Board of Commissioners and CCAP will not let this go by idly.

Ms. Schaefer: (Director of Government Relations, CCAP) I know everyone has heard a number of stories already about the personal impacts here in this County. From a CCAP perspective, we are hearing from a number of other counties. This is not just a Dauphin County issue. This is an issue affecting all 67 counties across the Commonwealth. In addition to that, it is also an issue that you have heard that has the potential to affect all of our citizens, not just those who live within the floodplains. There is a real concern about, not just from Dauphin County, but across the Commonwealth that with these flood insurance increases that it could really have some impact on declining property values, which then would shift the burden of our property taxes for county, school districts and municipalities that rely on that source for their local revenue. It shifts the burden of the property taxes onto other residents that are not impacted by the increases. We are also concerned that people can’t sell their properties, because the flood insurance increases are too great and that people could just walk away from their mortgages. That leaves vacancies and impacts our local economies and housing markets. The other issue that I think people really need to be aware of too, that we are finding out, is that there are a lot of people who are now newly impacted, because the new maps drawn by FEMA now include a number of people who were originally not in floodplains and who now probably qualify for flood insurance and should have it. People should be diligent in checking those new maps and looking to see if they are impacted. The problem is that the other issue that we are hearing is that there are a lot of technical areas with the maps. They were not checked for real world impact. They are mostly based on topography, not hydraulics. They may have a dry run stream that has never seen water in 100 years, but it is being determined to cause this big flooding problem just because of the way the topography comes through. Property owners can ask for amendments to the maps if they think they don’t belong on the floodplain. The problem there is that they normally have to hire an engineer or a surveyor to prove that they are above the flood elevation. That is an expense to people to prove that they don’t have to pay the increases. Many people have been successful in getting those
maps amended, but again it is an expense and others haven’t been so fortunate because they can’t find the right contacts in FEMA or they can’t get that cooperative experience going on to be successful.

Mr. Harwick stated that Tom couldn’t even get a returned call.

Ms. Schaefer: We are working with our partners at NACo, because the Biggert-Waters Act that triggered these increases is Federal law. It would require Federal legislation to get a change to amend or repeal the Act. We are also sending out notices to all the other counties in the Commonwealth asking them to advocate on behalf of delaying the impact until that affordability study can be completed. We are also trying to gather resources from DCED, the NFIP coordinator, FEMA and others to try to gather some resources that we can share with the counties so that when your residents come to you looking for answers you may have some information on where to go to get those answers.

Mr. Hartwick stated that he was fortunate to be in Iowa representing Pennsylvania to the National Association and was the person who grilled the NFIP Director for FEMA and his answers were pretty direct in saying that this is only the beginning. This is only the first part of the Act, which is 205. Evidently there is an additional portion of the Act, 207, that takes these issues even further in making all natural disasters, whether it be a tornado, earthquake or other national disaster. We now have a Texas congressman that is standing in the way of moving this from the Congressional side. The Feds are trying to get out of subsidizing any natural disasters in coming in to help provide support, relief and resources to be able to rebuild. This is then going to extend to tornadoes, brush fires that we have seen in California, earthquakes and other natural disasters that are going to impact folks. Sometimes he wonders if Congress even reads the legislation, because they have now enacted things that they had no idea of what the impacts were. Maxine Waters, the very person that co-sponsored this Act, is now leading the charge on the other side to repeal the Act. We have congressmen who are thinking that they are in a position to not be affected who clearly have not read forward in the provisions to know that this has an impact on every single area that has any threat of a future natural disaster. The Federal government system is broken. We need to figure out a way to speak as one unified voice. This is an issue that should bring everyone together. We should be speaking with one voice and saying that if you are not going to represent us on this issue that has the most significant impact on local tax structure and our residents, we are not going to elect you. That message needs to be very clear throughout. This is probably the single most pressing issue to our community, since he became a Commissioner. Unfortunately it is outside of this Board’s control. What this Board can control is the level of engagement and grassroots effort from our citizens in making very clear what the expectations are of our Federal officials.

Ms. Schaefer: There are different sections of the Biggert-Waters Act that the implementation takes place over a series of time. The great increase that occurred last fall was mostly for businesses and second homes. There is another round coming of all
the properties that were grandfathered so their rates are based on the old flood insurance rate maps.

Mr. Haste stated plus any one who had a lapse in their coverage were immediately affected, even if the lapse was part of a day.

Ms. Schaefer: The fiscal year 2014 Federal budget did include a one year delay in implementing those, the second round, of rate increases. It doesn’t do anything to affect the rate increase that has already taken place and if those grandfathered properties were to sell those would automatically get bumped into the new rates.

Mr. Hartwick indicated that means that you are not going to sell. Real estate folks will talk about how those properties now are almost unsalable. Basically it puts your property in a position to not have any resale value.

Mr. Butcher: (President, WCI Partners) WCI Partners is a real estate company based in Harrisburg. We focus on urban revitalization projects, primarily residential and commercial projects within the City. I have been talking with the Commissioners in various stages about this and thank you for your leadership on this issue. You have been incredibly responsive about it and acknowledging what an important issue this is. The comments that were provided by Mr. Germak are really illustrative of the individual impacts that we are seeing on a slightly larger scale. We have approximately 20 properties within the floodplain, basically houses that we have renovated with the intent to sell. As Commissioner Hartwick noted, we are now in a position of being unable to sell those because the flood insurance premiums on those properties will exceed $6,000 or $7,000. That is a year. We did some quick math on that.

Mr. Haste asked if that is the first year hit or is that what it is anticipated to be at.

Mr. Butcher: That would be the true risk rate. The final true risk rate would come into effect as soon as someone purchases the property. We as the current holders of the property will see indefinite increases of 25% until we either get a flood certificate on the property or they determine what the actual true elevation is. We estimate, because the basements are 4 feet below the floodplain elevation they will fall under the highest true risk rate, which is about $6,000 to $7,000. We also have several commercial properties within the floodplains. Those rates could exceed $15,000 to $20,000. We did the math. At the true risk rate, our flood insurance premiums would be about $180,000 to $200,000 a year. Over five years, we would pay about $1,000,000 in flood insurance premiums. We looked at the maps. We would never come close to having a loss that would approach $1,000,000. Among all the challenges and problems with the Act, not understanding the impacts, not even reading the legislation as you indicated, there is a problem with how the risk is being pulled. They are essentially lumping everybody together in the same risk pool and it is a very different risk pool to have your second home on a coastal town versus having a property in these older boroughs and cities that are essentially here due to old legacy and industrial economies. As Mr. Germak noted most of the industrial properties, the engines of our industrial economy, are along
floodplains, because that is where they were zoned to be and that is where the waterways were for transportation. The Act really ignores that fact. Just to echo what has already been said that unfortunately well-meaning people have said and have also been led to believe that they will no longer subsidize or pay for people living in the floodplain, which is not true and has been noted. They will certainly pay in the cost of collapsing real estate markets.

Mr. Haste stated that they will pay in a different way.

Mr. Butcher: The recessionary economies that they can create and then the loss in tax value that everybody would have to pay. Mr. Germak really hit the nail on the head when he said what needs to absorb this issue is a broad base, which is what we had before. Yes, the NFIP was running a deficit, because of Sandy and Katrina, but if you take that base over the American taxpaying public, it amounts to about $7 per year per taxpaying individual to absorb that total cost, maybe a little less. They could pay quite a lot more than that $7 a year due to local impacts now. No one has done that math and it is unfortunate that this is where we are at.

Mr. Haste stated that he gets irritated when, and Tom brought this up, where folks on the Internet will say well you shouldn't have bought or buy a property there. They are trying to rewrite history, because if you go back to John Harris, who founded this town, he built here for a reason and it was the water. It wasn't because of anything else. A lot of our industrial communities were built along waterways for a reason. We have heard stories of houses, when he was at the Senate hearing, of a house that was built almost 200 years ago, built right along the water, built to withstand the floods. They knew what they were doing. It had three-foot thick basement walls. It has withstood every flood that has come its way. In that particular case their insurance bill went from $2,700 to $40,000, and again with a property that has a history of standing strong the whole way through. What they are trying to do is short-sighted. They have not looked at history.

Steelton-Highspire School District, you look at it collectively between the two boroughs it is something like 32.5% of that school district is in the floodplain. You tell all those folks to move, one-third of the tax base for the school district moves, they are not going to move somewhere else in Highspire or Steelton. They are landlocked. What that does is collapses the school district. When those properties are left, the only people who are going to be able to buy those properties are people who pay for cash. That is the only way you can get out of this if you don’t have a mortgage. They will turn them into rental properties and we know what happens in many cases with that. They have to do something.

Mr. Hartwick stated that he doesn't know how they would buy them as a rental property. They will not be able to get the value plus pay flood insurance.

Mr. Haste stated that they will buy them cheap for cash. That is the only thing that you can do or the properties would become blighted.
Mr. Hartwick thanked Mr. Butcher. Dave provided to us one of the initial reports with quantified math that took a look at the assessed value and a tangible look at the potential effects on the real estate value loss. He began a good portion of the dialogue related to these issues with quantitated figures that could allow us to get an understanding and scope of the problem. This is a very important issue that we face.

Mr. Butcher thanked the Commissioners for their leadership on this.

Ms. Berrier: (Realtor, RSR Realtors) From the experience I have encountered with many of my clients in Steelton and the City, I had a buyer that has gone under contract on a property. In November we looked into getting them flood insurance, the original flood insurance rate was $1,000. When he looked at what his would be, it was nearly $7,000. It made it unaffordable for him. That property is still on the market. That property is in Shipoke. I got numerous situations right now where I have a backlog of sellers in the City who are unable to put their house on the market for the fear of what will happen until a decision is made. I think you have all touched on this, but the biggest thing is getting the rest of the community involved to understand that it will affect them. It will affect them because properties will be unsalable. There will be blithe throughout and it will affect surrounding properties. It will devalue them from that standpoint, as well as the tax base.

Mr. Haste stated that even if they solve this, he wonders how tainted these properties will be. There is now this asterisk that will always be attached to these properties.

Ms. Berrier: Fear that it will come back again. Even though there is discussion and the Senate has said that they have delayed for four years, it still needs to go through the House. Four years is not all that far away and it will continue to be in the back of a buyer’s mind. Is this property in a flood zone? It will affect the rest of the property value of surrounding areas even until there is an absolute resolution. It will affect property values anywhere near waterways. From the other standpoint the flood maps have changed. I had a situation where the current owner did not have flood insurance and as we settled we were notified that we needed to have flood insurance. Working through FEMA is not easy. We received our elevation certificate and about two months down the road, after the buyer had their new property and had a minimal insurance, they got a letter that it was increased and changed. It really has impacted all around. This is not just Dauphin. It is also Cumberland County, York County, as we heard, all of Pennsylvania that is dealing with this.

Mr. Haste stated that he would ask anybody who speaks today or anybody who doesn’t if they could send written testimony and encourage your neighbors to do the same. The more that we can get the better off we will be. Keep that in mind. If you can send us something in writing or email we would be grateful.

Ms. Basore: I’m a resident of Shipoke and a business owner. I’m very vested in the success of this community. Everything has been said. I’m hoping that the lines of communication can be kept open between the Commissioners and I will do whatever I
can do on my own to start this grassroots effort. I have looked to see what other communities in the State are doing. I’m trying to work with those folks so we can have one common voice. I have contacted, as well, all the U.S. Representatives and Senators and have not heard back from any of them. I’ve also emailed them and have not heard a response. I will send a blanket email that I sent to them to you for your records. If there is a way that we can keep that line of communication open, because I will do whatever it takes to fight this fight with you. I am so happy that you are an advocate, because we certainly need one right now.

Mr. Hartwick stated that Stacey owns Mangia Qui. She is getting ready to make a $1 million investment next door. The City is plagued again with a cloud of uncertain future with regard to property value. He credited Stacey for her level of commitment that she has to the City and the commitment to the community in continuing to make that kind of investment. It sends a strong message that we are going to continue to be open and do business. That is what makes the up-step of this fight even more critical.

Ms. Basore: I think there are a lot of folks, I’m sure in your experience too, but just recently because I only found out about this recently, which is also disturbing that this was passed a year and a half ago. There are tons of folks that have no idea.

Mr. Haste stated that it took effect in October, but they thought they were dealing with a financial issue not realizing what the impact was.

Ms. Basore: I also mention short-sightedness, because I think it is incredibly short-sighted for them to have done this without the proper studies and to not understand the impact on local communities. “This is not my problem” attitude is just so foolish, because it is everyone’s problem across the country, as well as our city. I know as the prior speaker was saying that this four year delay, I know in all good conscience I can’t put my house on the market in Shipoke. I couldn’t do that without letting someone know that this is looming and then to know in four years that I may not be able to afford to stay there anyway. It creates a huge hardship that I know you are aware of. Going forward, I am volunteering my services in whatever way I can to help you help us.

Mr. Haste stated that the only way we are going to be successful is we have to keep the heat up. Just because we won in the Senate, it doesn’t mean that it is time to take a break. It is actually more difficult now and we have to keep it up.

Mr. Singleton: I’m Senior Advisor of Education & Youth under the Papenfuse Administration. I bid you a good morning. After hearing from several residents and just to make you well aware that the Mayor has this on his agenda as well to work collaboratively with you all in terms of business community, as well as the residents. I’m here to state that on the record.

The Commissioners thanked him.
Mr. Dunbar: I’m with the Shipoke Neighborhood Association. I really can’t add to what you have said. Clearly you are on top of this issue. The dynamic I can perhaps add is the level of frustration, anger and fear among homeowners who are stuck in this situation. We understand that it is not your fault. We have been signing petitions. We have been sending letters. I think what we would like is to be part of a very specific campaign, something we can work on a regular basis so we can channel our frustration into a positive kind of direction and feel like we are making an impact even though we are sort of the belief that someone up there will make a decision and we don’t know that we have any control over it. We feel pretty powerless right now in this situation.

Mr. Hartwick stated that in the Wilkes-Barre/Scranton area they have a Stop FEMA Now group. They are starting and collaborating in doing something similar here. In a discussion with Stacey yesterday it was mentioned about hosting a public meeting in an area and maybe multiple areas that are most affected and inviting every single one of our Federal representatives to that meeting. It is important that we provide a vehicle and an opportunity for them to hear directly from our constituents and we get to see who really is concerned about the issue.

Mr. Dunbar: We would certainly appreciate that. You better provide some of them with police protection at the same time.

Mr. Haste asked Lisa if there is any way for CCAP, even if it is by electronic means, since it does affect the entire Commonwealth and all the counties, to begin pulling everyone together across the Commonwealth and taking these ideas like Lycoming has, instead of hearing about it third hand. If we can start one of those in every one of the 67 counties, that says something. The frustration has been heard.

Ms. Schaefer: I made some notes during the presentations about some efforts that CCAP may be able to do to engage the homeowners. It affects all 67 counties. Dauphin and Lycoming are really the two that have been out front on this issue. I will take my notes back and discuss with the folks back at CCAP this afternoon on ways to get the other 65 counties onboard to move this forward in a cohesive effort.

Mr. Haste asked that everyone send us whatever they have on this issue. Please make sure your contact information is provided to Amy, our Press Secretary. We are going to keep doing what we can.

Mr. Hartwick asked if a link can be added to our website for current information related to this issue. The ability to have up-to-date information and places for individual citizens to be able to go and find out if there are public meetings and what they can do is important. This is something from a media and social media perspective that can be made a special part of the Dauphin County website. This would allow folks to engage, interact and potentially set up a forum for testimony to be able to continue to be provided.
Mr. Dunbar: A special Facebook type page where people can have an opportunity to vent if nothing else.

Mr. Haste stated that he thinks it is quite symbolic that the Governor’s home is in fact in this floodplain. I think that shows the impact on this Commonwealth.

Mr. Dunbar: We acted in good faith when we bought in Shipoke. We did not go into Shipoke to make money off the National Flood Insurance Program. There are lots of reasons to live in Shipoke. We were proud to be there, but this whole business has just turned into a bureaucratic mess. I bought a second property in Shipoke in July. It took me until December to actually get through the bureaucratic maze to get his flood insurance statement. There are forms that I filled out. My insurance agent filled out some forms and send them in. Periodically they came back and said fill out this other form and do this and that. Months and months went by. I thought I finally had it resolved two weeks ago except they sent me the policy coverage page and it said that my home was insured for $10,700, which was a typographical error. Now I have to go back in and it will be a couple of weeks. They will send me a new page. The bureaucratic incompetency with the whole National Flood Insurance Program is also an issue that has to be considered in addition to the policy issues here.

Mr. Pries thanked his colleagues for their leadership on this topic. He thanked everyone for coming in today and taking their time to provide information on this issue. The nation’s economy was developed by the utilization of development along waterways. No one should be surprised by any of what is being heard today. By definition congress is the opposite of progress. The initial cosponsor of this bill, Maxine Waters, is now opposed to the bill. He believes that the Federal government folks, involved with this Act, already know what percentage increase they want. They are coming out early to scare everyone with these high numbers and then eventually they are going to come back to a number that is palatable for everyone or so they think it is. They are sorely wrong on this one. The representatives are not returning calls to the people who put them in office. That should be a message to them too. Mr. Dunbar had a great idea of everyone sticking together. George and Jeff have taken a leadership role here. The Board is behind you 100%. This is a huge issue and it is not going away.

Mr. Butcher: One path of this being overturned is the legislative path. Louisiana has filed suit against FEMA and several states have filed amicus briefs, along with Louisiana. So, that could be another path if it does not come out of committee. The Act is essentially not compliant with itself and a Federal judge may issue an injunction until at the very least those issues are remedied. That is another path that we should perhaps track and perhaps CCAP could track that path as well.

C. Catharine Kilgore, District Attorney’s Office

1. JAG Grant Presentation (Listed as Item KK under Matters Requiring Board Action)
Ms. Kilgore stated that she has a Crime Analyst Grant before the Commissioners. It is through PCCD. It is a competitive funding stream. Projects are being solicited for the period of one year. The proposal, through CJAB, is to place a crime analyst in our Criminal Investigations Division. This person would have jurisdiction to look at records throughout the County and will make decisions based on patterns, trends, analyzing data and will present them to stakeholders and/or task forces in a manner to police or communities. The County has had several grants for data related initiatives. Having a person in a seat to work with the agencies and analyze it is extraordinarily valuable. The grant is very straightforward. Training is the biggest variable. Most of it is offered out of state. You can review the candidates, protocols and policies and also options for ticketing cues. With this you would have someone analyzing the crime through modernization and technology. The biggest initiative this year with CJAB has been on re-entry and risk and needs assessment. This particular issue of innovations and technology carries through from CJAB’s 2011 strategic plan. If the project is successful in year one, you can apply for a second year of funding, which at that time you would receive 70% of the initial grant. The 30% would be supported through the Violent Crimes Task Force.

Mr. Haste stated that this item is listed on the Agenda as KK.

Mr. Hartwick indicated that he had a meeting with the District Attorney’s Office, Children & Youth and the Harrisburg Police Department to put together an Investigative Team for child abuse investigations.

**SALARY BOARD**

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

**HUMAN RESOURCES**

Ms. Lengle asked if there were any questions regarding the Personnel Packet. There was none. The salary rates were added to Changes #20 and #21.

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

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

**PURCHASE ORDERS**

Mr. Baratucci asked if there were any questions. There was none.

It was moved by Mr. Hartwick and seconded by Mr. Pries that the Board approve the Purchase Order Packet as presented.
Question: Mr. Haste – Absent; Mr. Pries – Aye and Mr. Hartwick – Aye; motion carried.

REPORT FROM BUDGET & FINANCE – MIKE YOHE, BUDGET DIRECTOR

Mr. Yohe provided the following report:

Report from the Office of Budget & Finance
February 12, 2014

• January 31, 2014 transferred $2,310,420.45 to the Payables account from the County’s Concentration account for checks issued that week.

• February 7, 2014 transferred $3,613,703.13 to the Payables account and $1,888,385.82 to the Payroll account from the County’s Concentration account for checks issued that week.

• Wire Payments since last report: $601,180.34

• Debt Service Payments since last report: $46,800.00

• Term Investments
  • None

• Balance today in PA INVEST account #2100017144860: $1,380.05 rate 0.050%

• Balance today in Susquehanna Bank investment account #119002023: $5,519,914.62 rate 0.150%

• Balance today in First National Bank investment account #97014743: $7,558,372.12 rate 0.300%

• Balance today in Integrity Bank Money Market Checking account #2206001209: $21,730,811.52 rate 0.260%

• Balance today in Santander Bank investment account #9551017714: $5,003,535.21 rate 0.200%


REPORT FROM CHIEF CLERK/CHIEF OF STAFF – LAURA CULLISON, ESQ.

Ms. Cullison reported on the following:
• Dauphin County will go red on Friday, February 14th to raise awareness about the number 1 killer of women – heart disease. Employees are encouraged to wear red and support American Heart Month.
• Dauphin County government offices will be closed on February 17th for President’s Day and will reopen at 8:00 a.m. on February 18th.

SOLICITOR’S REPORT – JOSEPH A. CURCILLO, III, ESQ.

Mr. Curcillo reported that Item O is being pulled and Item J should be Resolution #6-2014 instead of #5-2014. All other items on the Agenda that were reviewed by the Solicitor’s Office are ready for approval.

MATTERS REQUIRING BOARD ACTION

A. Training Packet.


C. Repository Bid received from Jessica Albino-Santiago/Nathan Nelson Ward – Parcel #71-005-029 (319 W. Market St.) - $500.00.

D. Repository Bids received from Roy D. Davis:
   1. Parcel #02-011-030 (244 Hummel St.) - $1,000.00
   2. Parcel #02-019-057 (325 Hummel St.) - $1,000.00

E. Repository Bids received from Milligan Group LLC, Weston Milligan:
   1. Parcel #15-015-019 (708 N. 19th St.) - $500.00
   2. Parcel #11-009-005 (335 Peffer St.) - $500.00
   3. Parcel #10-040-069 (412 Maclay St.) - $500.00
   4. Parcel #10-039-025 (417 Emerald St.) - $500.00
   5. Parcel #10-030-015 (2442 Reel St.) - $500.00
   6. Parcel #09-068-069 (222 S. 15th St.) - $500.00
   7. Parcel #09-032-040 (1652 Market St.) - $500.00
   8. Parcel #02-021-022 (1430 Swatara St.) - $500.00

F. Budget Amendment Reports for the quarter ending December 31, 2013.


H. Purchase of Service Agreement between Dauphin County and IEG Marketing – Glenn White for special event assistance services – Music & Wine Fest, Civil War Activities, Brew Fest, Cultural Fest and Jazz Fest - $3,650.00.

I. Professional Services Agreement between Dauphin County (District Attorney) and Gary T. Lathrop for Chaplain Services.

J. Resolution #5 - 2014 authorizing Designation of Agent to Stephen Libhart to execute for and on behalf of Dauphin County all forms and documents for the purpose of obtaining
K. Submission of Annual Emergency Management Performance Grant to offset the salary of the EMA Director.

L. Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Program Contract No. C000056517 (First Round of Funding) - $636,833.00.

M. Purchase of Service Agreement between Dauphin County and Automated Logic for HVAC Controls maintenance at the Administration Building for the terms January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014; January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 and January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

N. Purchase of Service Agreement between Dauphin County and Automated Logic for HVAC Controls Systems maintenance at the Courthouse for the terms January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014; January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2015 and January 1, 2016 through December 31, 2016.

O. Purchase of Service Agreement between Dauphin County and Cintas for facility service product rentals.

P. Purchase of Service Agreement between Dauphin County and Cintas for uniform rentals.

Q. Maintenance Agreement between Dauphin County and G.R. Sponaugle for mechanical HVAC services for the Administration Building for the term January 1, 2014 through December 31, 2016.

R. Lease Agreement (#56 Refresh) between Dauphin County and Hewlett-Packard Financial Services for 80 PCs and 4 laptops to be distributed to various Dauphin County departments.

S. Lease Agreement (10312000027) between Dauphin County and Hewlett-Packard Financial Services for server, storage and maintenance for IT Data Center to support EMA disaster recovery plans.

T. Lease Agreement (10312000029) between Dauphin County and Hewlett-Packard Financial Services for IT backup and performance software to support downtown and remote site data centers.

U. Lease Agreement (10312000028) between Dauphin County and Hewlett-Packard Financial Services for servers, software and maintenance for EMA for update infrastructure and downtown compatibility for disaster recovery purposes.

V. Appointment of Julie Trogner to the South Central Workforce Investment Board. Ms. Trogner’s term will expire September 30, 2017.

W. Approval of the Gaming Advisory Board recommendations, including all proposed conditions and grant reallocations, and award, allocation and appropriation of gaming funds to the following recipients, in the following amounts, and subject to any additional noted conditions, each, where appropriate, to be memorialized in a grant agreement in a form substantially similar to the grant agreements presented herewith, which agreements are approved by the Commissioners, and the Commissioners, as well as the employees, representatives and agents of the County, are authorized and directed to execute, deliver and take any and all actions necessary and appropriate in connection with the same and in order to effectuate the purposes and carry out the intent of this motion, with the
execution and delivery of any such additional documents or the taking of any such action by the same conclusively evidencing the due authorization and approval thereof by the County:

Host & Contiguous

1. West Hanover Township (fire station debt reduction - $130,000 and heavy rescue vehicle - $340,000) - $470,000
2. Middle Paxton Township (debt service for shared municipal services building - $125,000 and reduction of debt for fire apparatus - $26,518) - $151,518
3. Rush & Jefferson Townships (guardrails for Carsonville Road - $103,100 and Zoning Project - $15,100) - $123,100 (plus $9,400 reallocated from prior grant)
4. Derry Township (fire apparatus debt reduction - $155,716, People Movers van - $32,000 and Hershey/Derry Historical Society improvements - $25,000) - $212,716
5. East Hanover Township (Public Works building and Reduction of firehouse debt) - $1,550,000 (plus $606,208 reallocated from prior projects completed under budget)
6. South Hanover Township (Municipal complex & Emergency Services Center construction) - $100,000

Other Awards

1. City of Harrisburg (new tower engine and police records management) - $545,841
2. Susquehanna Township (Public safety building expansion) - $250,000
3. Swatara Township (Bridge replacement and fire apparatus debt reduction) - $182,479 (conditioned on use of contingency)
4. Middletown Borough (Streetscape and improvement project) - $250,000 (conditioned on receipt of all other project funding)
5. Hummelstown Borough (new municipal complex) - $270,000
6. Steelton Borough (Adams Street storm water improvements) - $100,000
7. Highspire Borough (Road improvements) - $156,138
8. West Hanover Township (new facility for MDJ Witmer) - $200,000
9. Londonderry Township (new pumper engine) - $250,000 (conditioned on borrowing for remaining project cost)
10. Lykens Borough (fire apparatus refurbishment) - $100,000
11. Wiconisco Township (municipal/fire complex design and temporary structure) - $74,210 (plus $11,789 reallocation of prior grant)
12. Lower Swatara Township (new fire boat, trailer and truck) - $126,329 (plus $14,471 reallocation)
13. Halifax Borough (mobile generator and trailer unit) - $40,000
14. Berrysburg Borough (sewer system improvements) - $100,000 (conditioned on borrowing for remaining project costs)
15. Elizabethville Borough (sewer system improvements) - $70,000 (conditioned on borrowing for remaining project costs)
16. Pillow Borough (water system improvements) - $80,000
17. Williamstown Borough (water system improvements) - $125,000
18. Susquehanna Township EMS (2 new ambulances) - $112,512
19. Pinnacle Health System (new ambulance) - $89,000
20. Dauphin County EMS Council (technology improvements) - $124,620
21. Greenbelt/Dauphin County Parks & Recreation (Wildwood to Fort Hunter Extension) - $250,000
22. Lower Paxton Township (HVAC replacements for Friendship Center) - $161,444 (plus $138,556 reallocation from prior grant)
23. Conewago Township (Conewago Park improvements) - $66,770
24. Gratz Borough (Gratz Area Park improvements) - $100,000
25. Hummelstown Borough/Lower Dauphin School District (field house project) - $50,000
26. R.J. Veterans Center (elevator for veterans center) - $48,000
27. Halifax Borough (park and recreation improvements) - $34,484
28. CONTACT Helpline (emergency generator for Helpline operations) - $10,800
29. Shalom House (furnishings for women’s and children’s shelter) - $5,000
30. African American Chamber – JET (Junior Entrepreneur Training) Program - $15,750
31. Bethel AME (facility improvements related to County Neighborhood Reporting Center) - $16,200
32. CAT (Market Square improvements) - $60,000
33. Community Action Commission (Allison Hill parking lot project) - $55,000
34. YWCA (Kunkel Center renovations) - $100,000 (conditioned on matching funds)
35. American Red Cross (Disaster relief vehicle) - $30,000
36. Lower Paxton Township (lighting for public field/park) - $55,000
37. Salvation Army (Disaster relief vehicle) - $75,000
38. Jackson Township (Firehouse improvements) - $59,000
39. Whitaker Center (Facility improvements) - $100,000
40. Lower Paxton Township (park improvements and memorial project) - $180,000
41. Boys & Girls Club (lighting of public field) - $100,000
42. Lower Paxton Township (public pool improvements) - $50,000
43. State Street Improvement Association (Streetscape improvements) - $25,000
44. HACC (Campus security improvements) - $11,000
45. Dauphin County Industrial Development Authority to administer the following projects:
   a. Stampede - $50,000
   b. PHR Baseball - $8,000
   c. Three Star Foundation - $15,000
   d. Advanced Training - $25,000
   e. ARC - $40,000
   f. The Mt. Calvary Multi-Cultural Child Care Center - $7,500
46. Dauphin County Sheriff’s Office (vehicles) - $113,340
47. Dauphin County Parks & Recreation (capital improvements projects) - $185,000
48. Dauphin County Area Agency on Aging - $100,000
49. Dauphin County Emergency Management Agency - $3,000,000
50. City of Harrisburg - $12,000
51. Dauphin County Facilities Maintenance - $125,000
52. Dauphin County Department of Purchasing (warehouse safety equipment) - $30,000
53. Great American Outdoor Show - $58,000
54. Dauphin County District Attorney’s Office and Dauphin County Public Defender’s Office (Criminal Justice Project) - $323,600
55. Dauphin County Industrial Development Authority (Administration) - $515,000

X. Approval of the form and language of the Dauphin County Local Share Municipal Grant Agreement for Grantees and Co-Grantees.

Y. Approval of the form and language of the Dauphin County Local Share Municipal Grant Agreement for Grantees.

Z. 2014 Tourism Grants (1%):
   1. Dauphin County Parks & Recreation - $75,000
2. Dauphin County DCED - $250,000  
3. Harrisburg Regional Chamber - $75,000  
4. Big 33 - $100,000  
5. Administrative Support (Audit) - $15,000  
6. Parks & Recreation (Special Events) - $150,000  
7. Hershey Harrisburg Regional Visitors Bureau - $250,000  
8. Whitaker Center - $100,000  
9. Modern Transit Partnership - $60,000  
10. National Civil War Museum - $50,000  
11. Hershey Harrisburg Visitors Bureau (Wine Country) – $50,000  
12. Hershey Harrisburg Visitors Bureau (Brew Country) - $50,000  
13. Historical Society - $40,000  
14. Harrisburg Symphony Orchestra - $12,500  
15. Harrisburg Young Professionals - $5,000  
16. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce of Central PA - $5,000  
17. Ned Smith - $5,000  
18. Gratz Fair - $5,000  
19. Jump Street - $40,000  
20. Friends of Jazz - $15,000  
21. Invica - $20,000  
22. City Islanders - $75,000  
23. Susquehanna Riverboat - $24,000  
24. St. Patrick’s Day Parade Association - $10,000  
25. PA National Horse Show Foundation - $25,000  
26. Parks & Recreation Fort Hunter African American Cemetery - $12,000  
27. Parks & Recreation Open Stage Council on Humanities - $25,000  
28. Hershey Harrisburg Regional Visitors Bureau (Future Stars) - $18,000  
29. Youth Step USA, Inc. - $10,000  
30. Hershey Junior Bears - $10,000  
31. Gamut - $3,000  
32. Harrisburg DID - $10,000  

AA. 2014 Tourism Grant (2%):  
1. Lykens Chamber of Commerce - $2,000  

BB. Amendment #1 to Purchase of Service Agreement between Dauphin County (Children & Youth) and Pinnacle Health Hospitals, Inc.  

CC. Adoption Assistance Agreements #2014-01, #2014-02, #2014-03, #2014-05 and #2014-06.  

DD. Subsidized Legal Custodianship Agreement #2014-03.  

EE. Purchase of Service Agreement between Dauphin County (Drug & Alcohol) and Nasr Consultant Group, Inc.  

FF. Amendments to Purchase of Service Agreements between Dauphin County (Drugs & Alcohol) and:  
1. Life Esteem, Inc. – Amendment #2  
2. Substance Abuse Services, Inc. - #1  

GG. Purchase of Service Agreement between Dauphin County (MH/ID) and Developmental and Disability Services of Lebanon Valley, Inc.
HH. ITF Medicaid Waiver Service Agreement between Dauphin County (MH/ID) and Developmental and Disability Services of Lebanon Valley, Inc.

II. Purchase of Service Agreement between Dauphin County (Human Services Director’s Office) and MailFinance, Inc.

JJ. Emergency Solutions Grant Program budget modification request to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development.

KK. PCCD – 2013/2014 Byrne Justice Assistance Grant.

It was moved by Mr. Pries and seconded by Mr. Haste that the Board approve Matters Requiring Board Action, Items A through KK, listed above.

Question: Mr. Haste – Aye; Mr. Pries – Aye and Mr. Hartwick – Aye (abstained on Item W-45-D); motion carried.

FORMER BUSINESS

There was none.

NEW BUSINESS

There was none.

COMMISSIONERS’ DISCUSSION & ACTIONS

Mr. Hartwick reported that statistics show that 85% of drug and alcohol issues are related to prescription drugs or heroin. This is an issue that does not affect just urban. It affects every part of this County. Prescription drug overdoses have killed more people than gunshots. Prescription drug drop off boxes have been placed at different areas around the County. In the spring of this year, Drug and Alcohol will be running out of treatment dollars. Some adjustments will need to be made.

He also reported on the MA Prison Pilot program that will be offered at Work Release and the Prison. There will be no interruption in benefits. There will also be an adolescent outpatient service in Lower Paxton Township.

CORRESPONDENCE

The following correspondence was received by the Commissioners’ Office and will be handled appropriately by the staff appropriately.

A. Notification from Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc. advising that Susquehanna Township is applying to DEP for a NPDES Permit for stormwater discharges associated with the replacement/installation of a storm sewer network on Edwin Avenue, Montrose Street and Parkway Road.
A. Notification from Herbert, Rowland & Grubic, Inc. advising that Lower Paxton Township is applying to DEP for a Water Obstructions and Encroachments Permit for the construction of Wolfersberger Park in Lower Paxton Township.

B. Notification from Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox LLP advising that Norfolk Southern Railway Company recorded an Environmental Covenant pertaining to a portion of the Rutherford Intermodal Facility in Swatara Township.

C. Notification from HB Engineering, Inc. advising that Doli Construction Corp. is applying to DEP for a NPDES Permit for stormwater discharges associated with the addition to existing fill area on 2240 Kohn Road.

D. Notification from Fairfax Compliance Group, Inc. advising that Harmon Stoves is submitting a Pennsylvania State Only Air Permit Renewal Application to DEP for its facility located at 352 Mountain House Road, Halifax.

E. Notification from GHD advising that the Lower Paxton Township Authority is applying to DEP for permit applications for the decommissioning of the existing Springford Village WWTP and construction of 185 linear feet of sanitary sewer to an existing trunkline.


H. Notification from STV Energy Services, Inc. advising that they are applying to DEP for a NPDES Permit for stormwater discharges associated with UGI’s proposed installation of 12-inch underground natural gas pipeline connecting existing UGI facilities on the east shore to the Defense Logistics Agency Distribution Center in York County on the west shore.

I. Notification from Evans Engineering, Inc. advising that MRP Industrial is applying to DEP for a NPDES Permit for stormwater discharges associated with the proposed construction of a 249,600 square foot warehouse and parking facilities located at 140 Fulling Mill Road, Middletown.


K. Notification from Mellott Engineering, Inc. advising that Cornerstone at Wellington Manor, L.P. is applying to DEP for a NPDES Permit for stormwater discharges associated with the construction of the Wellington Manor townhouse community off Clearfield Street in Swatara Township.

L. Notification from Dauphin Engineering Co. advising that Cider Press Associates, LLC are applying to DEP for a NPDES Permit for stormwater discharges associated with construction activities at Fairmont Drive and Cider Press Road in Lower Paxton Township.

M. Receipt of a copy of a letter from GHD to PA DEP advising that the Lower Paxton Township Authority is submitting notification to use General Permits 5 and 11 for the replacement of existing and construction of new utility line wetland crossings in Trunk G.
N. Receipt of a copy of a letter from GHD to PA DEP advising that the Lower Paxton Township Authority is proposing to decommission the existing Springford Township Wastewater Treatment Plant.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Mr. Pries congratulated Mr. Haste for his outstanding leadership with the Great American Outdoor Show. It was a $70 million economic impact to the County. People came and spent money at hotels and restaurants. Attendance was remarkable. It was a show not just for Dauphin County folks, but for all over.

Mr. Haste stated that it was the commitment of the Board to keep the show. It was a great event.

Mr. Cleary thanked, on behalf of the Mayor and Fire Chief, the Commissioners for their consideration of a proposal that was submitted through the Gaming Grant process.

The Commissioners thanked him for his service.

ADJOURNMENT

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