

**UNION COUNTY COMMISSIONERS –SEPTEMBER 8, 2015**

**Present:** Paul Wiwi, David Woeste, Alan Alcorn, Pam Tharp, Matt Snyder, Jim Crouch, Dale Dishmond, Shawn Tudor, Lynn Browning, and Gene Sanford

Wiwi called the meeting to order and led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance. Woeste moved to approve the minutes of the August 17 meeting. Alcorn seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

**TRANSIT:** Transit Director Trish Witham presented a report for transit usage in 2015. The Commissioners also reviewed their 5311 grant for 2016 which reflected about a \$2,000 increase to \$288,503. A part of the grant is for capital requests of \$74,424 for 2 new vans to replace two 2009 vans with over 150,000 miles. It is an 80/20 match grant which would require \$18,606 for the 20% county match share. The Commissioners signed the necessary paperwork to approve the grants.

**AMBULANCE:** Nathan St. Clair presented the August ambulance report which showed 68 calls for the month. He also presented his bid for the next three year term which will be opened at the October 5 meeting.

**SHERIFF:** The Commissioners signed an agreement with Buckeye Power to service the generator at the jail. Dishmond explained the new Medicaid coverage for jail inmates that are incarcerated over 30 days. Enrollment is mandatory and will cover hospital inpatient stays after 24 hours. A navigator from Fayette Hospital will help sign up inmates for Medicaid and HIP coverage which should also help for their medical service coverage after they are released. Woeste moved to pursue a contract for medical coverage with FSSA. Alcorn seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

Dishmond also presented a bid from John Seibert to seal and stripe the jail parking lot. As this was listed as an insurance liability deficiency, Woeste moved to accept the bid. Alcorn seconded the motion and it carried 3-0.

**HIGHWAY DEPT:** Highway Supervisor Jeff Bowers presented a supplemental contract for an archeological study required for Bridge #22. After some discussion Woeste moved to approve the \$29,000 contract. Alcorn seconded and it passed 3-0. The cost is subject to the 80/20 federal reimbursement.

After discussing what to do with old highway equipment, Woeste asked Bowers to compile a list and then they could possibly advertise and take bids sometime in the future.

Bowers reported that O'Mara plans to begin the resurfacing project on Stone Road and Nine Mile beginning September 21 and the highway department will return to a five day work week at the end of September.

**HEALTH INSURANCE:** Tyler Vanderpool of RMD-Patti Insurance presented quotes for a 15 month contract for medical insurance coverage for county employees. He stated United Health Care had the best rate with a 7% increase. He also heard concerns from county employees about current coverage. He will bring the final rates to the next meeting.

**DRUG FREE:** Drug Free Coordinator Alvin Day stated that Fayette County has asked to use one of the Health Department mobile trailers for their needle exchange program. The Commissioners stated they had no objection as long as Fayette County would assume any liability for its use and stated he could pursue discussions about the use.

Day also stated there would be a mock training disaster plane crash at Quakertown on September 26.

The Commissioners gave permission for use of the Courthouse lawn for Red Ribbon Week.

**MISC:** Woeste discussed signage for the health clinic and the Commissioners agreed to mount new signs at the Health Department.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned.

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Attest \_\_\_\_\_, Auditor