

MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**January 8, 2009****Members Present: Brian Bader, Kenneth R. Ammann, John N. Lechner****Pledge of Allegiance:****Others Present: Tom Amundsen, Michael DeForest, Don Fedorczyk, Jeff Gill, Jeff Greenburg, Jennifer Hamilton, Tim Hofius, Kathy Kloos, Bob Kochems, John Logan, Bill Madden, Cathy Main, Rhonda McClelland, Ginny Richardson, Bill Romine, Christie Dennis, Karen Seelbaugh, Val Matson, a concerned citizen Dave Bicek Media Phil Rau, Mary Grzebieniak****Public Comment on Agenda Items: Mr. Bicek spoke with regard to the tax increase, the local economy, and Woodland Place. Commissioners spoke to his comments and concerns.****Motion to approve December 17, 2008 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.****Moved: Mr. Ammann** **Seconded: Mr. Lechner**
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Bader**Motion to approve December 24, 2008 Chief Clerk's Meeting minutes.****Moved: Mr. Ammann** **Seconded: Mr. Lechner**
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Bader**Motion to approve December 31, 2008 Chief Clerk Meeting Minutes.****Moved: Mr. Ammann** **Seconded: Mr. Lechner**
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Bader**Motion to approve December 18, 2008 Commissioners' Meeting minutes.****Moved: Mr. Ammann** **Seconded: Mr. Lechner**
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Bader**Motion to approve a proclamation to recognize Wilmington Area School District for winning the PIAA Class AA State Football Championship.****Moved: Mr. Ammann** **Seconded: Mr. Lechner**
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Bader

Motion to appoint the following individuals to the Mercer County Veterans Advisory Council.

VFW Post 6233 Primary -William F. Brandenstein	Secondary- Wm. A. Westover Sr.
VFW Post 7599 Primary-Matthew Heim	Secondary -Tom Hanzes
VFW Post 6345 Primary- Larry A. Houston	Secondary- Albert F. Chambers Jr.
VFW Post 1338 Primary- Sam Hernon	Secondary-Ed Lake
VFW Post 7597 Primary – Keith E. Austin Sr.	Secondary Jimmie Smith
VFW Post 6404 Primary – Michael J. Garnack	Secondary – Joe Delfratte
VFW Post 3374 Primary – Theodore Savchuk	Secondary William Richardson
Moved: Mr. Ammann	Seconded: Mr. Lechner
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader	

Motion to approve the following financial investments as listed:

INVESTMENTS DATED 12-29-08:

<u>FROM:</u>	<u>TO:</u>	<u>AMOUNT:</u>
General Fund First National Bank Index Money Market	General Fund Citizens Bank Money Market	\$ 4,515.00
General Fund Northwest Savings Bank Municipal	General Fund Citizens Bank Money Market	\$ 4,000.00
Liquid Fuel National City Bank Checking W/Interest	Liquid Fuel Citizens Bank Money Market	\$ 3,860.00
Economic Development Capital Reserve Citizens Bank Checking W/Interest	Economic Development Capital Reserve Citizens Bank Money Market	\$ 4,070.00
Capital Reserve National City Bank Checking	Capital Reserve Citizens Bank Money Market	\$ 15,225.00
2001 Capital Bond Sinking National City Bank Checking	2001 Capital Bond Sinking Citizens Bank Money Market	\$ 31,240.00

INVESTMENTS DATED 12-30-08:

<u>FROM:</u>	<u>TO:</u>	<u>AMOUNT:</u>
Affordable Housing Citizens Bank Money Market	Affordable Housing First National Bank Index Money Market	\$ 40.00
Clerk of Courts Automation National City Bank Checking	Clerk of Courts Automation Northwest Savings Bank Money Market	\$ 1,055.00
Public Sale National City Bank Money Market	Public Sale First National Bank Index Money Market	\$ 35.00
Public Sale Northwest Savings Bank Municipal	Public Sale First National Bank Index Money Market	\$ 300.00
Tax Lien Northwest Savings Bank Municipal	Tax Lien First National Bank Index Money Market	\$ 505.00

INVESTMENTS DATED 12/31/08:

FROM:	TO:	AMOUNT:
Tax Collectors Citizens Bank Checking W/Interest	Tax Collectors Citizens Bank Money Market	\$ 78,625.00
Retirement Citizens Bank Checking W/Interest	Retirement Citizens Bank Money Market	\$ 70,365.00

Moved: Mr. Ammann **Seconded: Mr. Lechner**
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to enter into an agreement with Management Systems Technology Consultants LLC from Manassas, Va. To perform twelve microfilm chemical tests for our Archive department. Test costs are \$41.00 each for a total of \$492.00.

Moved: Mr. Lechner **Seconded: Mr. Ammann**
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to approve the Personnel action(s) as follows:

NAME STEP/GRADE INTERNSHIP:	POSITION	EFFECTIVE	LEVEL /
DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE – VICTIM WITNESS:			
Jennika Blue	Internship	1/12/2009 through 5/15/2009	NO SALARY NO BENEFITS

CHANGE OF RETIREMENT DATE
VETERAN'S OFFICE:

Wanda Smithley	Administrative Assistant	1/23/09 (From 1/22/09)
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RESIGNATIONS:**ENHANCED 9-1-1 CENTER:**

Thomas J. Meyer	Supervisor	2/17/09
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Moved: Mr. Lechner **Seconded: Mr. Ammann**
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to renew the 2009 PComp Worker's Compensation Insurance Policy with an estimated premium of \$433,486.00.

Moved: Mr. Lechner **Seconded: Mr. Ammann**
Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to ratify the attached previously approved expenditures dated 12-16-08 to 1-05-09.

Moved: Mr. Ammann

Seconded: Mr. Lechner

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Motion to approve the following exoneration(s) being granted as listed:

<u>Collector</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Per Capita Tax</u>	<u>Per Capita Tax- TBC</u>	<u>Year</u>
Mary Ann Thompson	Findley Twp	180.00		2008
Suzanne C Barner	Mercer Boro.	25.00		2008
Diane McCullough	Jefferson Twp.	10.00		2008
Linda J. Kellogg	Coolspring Twp.	55.00		2008
Nanci E. Gearhart	Sugar Grove Twp.	85.00		2008
Linda S. Watts	Stoneboro Boro.	20.00		2008
Darlene Slemenda	New Lebanon Boro.	20.00		2008
Sharyn Kawecki	Sandy Lake Twp.	40.00		2008
Mary K. Weber	Wolf Creek Twp	5.00		2008
Ruth Magee	Springfield Twp.	55.00		2008
Debra Rodemoyer	Delaware Twp.	115.00		2008
Debra Rodemoyer	Delaware Twp.	10.00		2008
Ruth Magee	Springfield Twp.	20.00		2008
Carolyn S. Chess	Sandy Creek Twp	10.00		2008
Carrie Jo Steese	Pine Twp.	60.00		2008
Nancy Reithmiller	Lackawannock Twp.	5.00		2008
Debra A. Tomin	West Salem Twp.	105.00		2008
Karen King	Perry Twp.	15.00		2008
Suzanne C Barner	Mercer Boro.	235.00		2008
Linda J. Kellogg	Coolspring Twp.	75.00		2008
William H. Blatt	Hempfield Twp.	450.00		2008
Brenadette Harry	Hermitage City	1,620.00		2008
Lea Anne Dumars	South Pymatuning	60.00		2008
Esther Viglio	Wheatland Borough	<u>10.00</u>		2008
	TOTAL	3,285.00		

Moved: Mr. Ammann

Seconded: Mr. Lechner

Vote: Yes Mr. Lechner, Mr. Ammann, Mr. Beader

Old Business: None

Recess to Salary Board:

New Business: Commissioner Bader introduced contracts through the Public Defender’s office for legal services from January 1, 2009 through December 31, 2009 unless terminated sooner by the Court the following attorneys:

- Attorney Jarrett Whalen \$28,000.00 for 70 cases**
- Attorney Randall Hetrick \$28,000.00 for 70 cases**
- Attorney Tedd Nesbit \$14,000.00 for 35 cases**
- Attorney Stephen Delpero \$10,000.00 for 25 cases**
- Attorney James L. Ryan \$12,000.00 for 30 cases**

Any cases above the maximum number will be paid at the rate of Four hundred dollars per case.

Public Comment: None

Questions of the Media: questions were answered

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Mr. Lechner

Seconded: Mr. Ammann

Mercer County Board of Commissioners

Attest:

Chief Clerk