

JULY 15, 2010

On the above date the Luzerne County Board of Commissioners convened a Salary Board Meeting with the following present: Maryanne Petrilla, Chairman; Thomas P. Cooney, Commissioner; Stephen A. Urban, Commissioner; Walter Griffith, Controller; Douglas Pape, County Manager for Legislation/Chief Clerk; Brian Bufalino, Solicitor; John Gilligan, Sheriff

**CALL TO ORDER.....Maryanne C. Petrilla, Chairperson**

**PUBLIC COMMENT:**

**Walter Griffith**

The cell phone policy, option 1 would be something for the Salary Board?

**Commissioner Petrilla**

It will be effective October 1<sup>st</sup>. So between now and October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Walter Griffith**

So anyone who chooses option 1 will be put on the Salary Board Agenda?

**Commissioner Petrilla**

Yes

**Commissioner Urban**

The county will choose who is option 1 or option 2.

**Attorney Bufalino**

The County Manager will be choosing the options.

**COMMUNICATIONS:.....Douglas A. Pape  
County Manager/Chief Clerk**

**REQUEST A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE SALARY BOARD MEETING ON JUNE 16, 2010.**

It was moved by Commissioner Cooney, seconded by Commissioner Urban  
"AYES" PETRILLA, COONEY, URBAN, GRIFFITH

**REQUEST A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING SALARY BOARD ACTION FOR:**

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY:**

Create: (1) One Task Force Planning Specialist at a Salary Range of \$28,500 to \$33,500 with Benefits.  
(This position is 100% grant funded through the East Central Task Force. Position will end when funding runs out).

It was moved by Commissioner Urban, seconded by Commissioner Cooney  
"AYES" PETRILLA, COONEY, URBAN, GRIFFITH

**REQUEST A MOTION TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING SALARY BOARD ACTION FOR:**

**MAGISTRATES:**

Create: (1) One Per Diem Position at a Rate of \$50.00 per day effective July 19, 2010.  
(For two and a half days per week for a three month period, due to illness of full time employee).

It was moved by Commissioner Urban, seconded by Commissioner Cooney  
“AYES” PETRILLA, COONEY, URBAN, GRIFFITH

**ROAD & BRIDGE DEPARTMENT:**

**Create:** (1) One Bridge Foreman with an Annual Starting Salary of \$27,500 effective July 15, 2010.

**Eliminate:** (1) Foreman Position with an Annual Starting Salary of \$27,500. (This position is currently vacant and funded).

It was moved by Commissioner Urban, seconded by Commissioner Cooney  
“AYES” PETRILLA, COONEY, URBAN, GRIFFITH

**REQUEST A MOTION TO APPROVE THE SHERIFF’S MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING PREVIOUSLY APPROVED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AT THE JUNE 16, 2010 COMMISSIONERS MEETING.**

**Walter Griffith**

As a salary board member I have to state that this is totally an unaccountable plan. I am not in favor of it. I wasn't when it was an item for the commissioners to vote on as a memo of understanding. There is a much better cost effective way to do this rather than give in my estimation bonus pay to deputies that are getting paid to do that. The county is losing severe money on their portion that pays their salary by doing that. It's an in and out so we're losing some of the money it costs to fund their pay as well as their uniforms and other items. I can't support this.

It was moved by Sheriff Gilligan, seconded by Commissioner Cooney  
“AYES” PETRILLA, COONEY, GILLIGAN “NAY” URBAN, GRIFFITH

Request a motion to adjourn:

It was moved by Commissioner Urban, seconded by Commissioner Petrilla  
“AYES” PETRILLA, COONEY, URBAN, GRIFFITH

*Respectfully submitted,*



**Jennifer Thomas, Recording Secretary**