

## SPECIAL SESSION

State of West Virginia, County of Jefferson, to-wit:

A Special Session of the County Commission of said County and State continued and held at the Mason Building on the second floor conference room thereof on Friday, October 11, 2013, beginning at 11 a.m.

Present were:

- Dale Manuel, President
- Walt Pellish, Vice President
- Patricia Noland, Commissioner
- Jane Tabb, Commissioner
- Lyn Widmyer, Commissioner
- Debbie Keyser, Jefferson County Administrator
- Jessica Carroll, Executive Administrative Assistant
- Steve Groh, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney

### **In re: Contract for Leslie Smith for the position of Financial Consultant for the Jefferson County Commission**

A sign-in sheet was provided for anyone wishing to speak.

Commissioner Manuel called the meeting to order at 11 a.m.

Commissioner Noland led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Steve Groh, Assistant Prosecuting Attorney, addressed the Commission and stated Ms. Smith was experiencing delays and difficulty obtaining the insurance as required by the contract in Section Two, part G: "Consultant agrees to provide County obtain professional liability and general commercial liability insurance and provide proof of same to County." In order to expedite Ms. Smith's signature of the contract, Ms. Smith's attorney asked the Commission to decide whether they would like to strike the insurance clause from the contract or make the insurance optional.

- **Motion by Ms. Noland to make the requirement for the consultant to obtain professional liability and general commercial liability insurance optional to the consultant. Motion seconded and passes on a vote of 4-1 with Ms. Widmyer opposing.**

Ms. Widmyer stated for the record this issue could have been discussed as part of the upcoming County Commission meeting to be held on October 17, 2013, especially considering the notice given for the Special Session was not within the guidelines of the "State Open Meetings Act" as interpreted by the West Virginia Ethics Commission.

Public Comment:

No one was present to make public comment.

The Special Session was adjourned at 11:17 on a motion by Ms. Tabb. Motion seconded and unanimously approved.