

**SPECIAL MEETING, THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2012:**

Chairman Phiel convened the publicly advertised Special Meeting to tentatively adopt the 2013 Adams County Budget and any other business to come before the Board at 3:00 p.m. this date. The following were in attendance: Commissioners Jim Martin and Marty Karsteter Qually; Albert Penksa, County Manager; John Hartzell, Solicitor; Register & Recorder Linda Myers; Treasurer Terry Adamik; Deputy Controller Beth Cissel; Deputy Sheriff Len Supenski; Department Directors – Warden Brian Clark; Neil Burkholder, Director Probation Services; Melissa Devlin, Director of Finance; Michael Baltzley, Director of Security; Don Fennimore, Court Administrator; Nick Colonna, Planning Director; Daryl Crum, Tax Services Director; John Farrell, VA Director; Rosemary Shreffler, Children & Youth Fiscal Technician; Jess Haines, *The Gettysburg Times* and Chief Clerk Paula V. Neiman.

**Public Comment:**

There was no Public Comment brought before the Board at this time.

**Adams County 2013 Budget:**

Chairman Phiel provided an overview of the 2013 Tentative Budget that is being presented. The highlights include – no tax increase, no tapping into the reserves to balance the budget. With the fiscal conservatism and good fiscal management, a team effort that begins with every one of us in our day to day operations, the County will have a 2012 budget surplus. We will be establishing and funding a Capital Reserve Fund as a line item to plan for the future. We have taken a look at county functions and recognize critical personnel, software, IT, vehicle fleet and equipment issues and have included them in this budget. We will continue to study and make determinations regarding employee benefits. It should be noted that our county neighbors to our east and north are both increasing taxes this year. Even though we had a small tax increase that was unavoidable due to the emergency radio project, we will not be increasing the county taxes. It would seem in Adams County that we are on a straight and defined fiscal course despite continuous economic obstacles. The Board commends our Management, Elected Officials and Staff for their fiscal conservatism. The 2013 Tentative Budget will be available for public inspection in the Commissioners Office during regular business hours and on the County's website. It is scheduled to be formally adopted, as a publicly advertised meeting, on Friday, December 21, 2012 at 10:00 a.m. in the Historic Courtroom. Due to this advertised meeting, the regularly scheduled Commissioners meeting for Wednesday, December 26, 2012 has been cancelled.

Mr. Martin moved, seconded by Mr. Qually to tentatively adopt the 2013 Adams County Budget as follows:

General Fund	\$ 41,504,877
Special Funds:	
Children & Youth Services	\$ 7,195,245
911 Communications	3,426,466
Domestic Relations	1,411,117
Independent Living	289,707
Hazardous Materials	83,108
Liquid Fuels	263,784
Health Choices-State Program	11,800,000
York-Adams MH Intellectual & Development Disabilities Program	
100% pass through	

Total Expenditures = \$65,974,304

Motion carried.

**Adjournment:**

Mr. Qually moved, seconded by Mr. Martin to adjourn the Special Meeting at 3:20 p.m. this date.

Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted,

Paula V. Neiman  
Chief Clerk