

**SPECIAL COMMISSION MEETING**

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 2012**

**PRESENT:**            **NANCY CARTMILL, PRESIDENT**  
**ROBERT L. BAILEY, COMMISSIONER**  
**ANNE YON, COMMISSIONER**  
**WILLIAM WATSON, COUNTY ATTORNEY**  
**CHRIS TATUM, COUNTY MANAGER**  
**RHONDA MONTANEZ, PURCHASING ASSISTANT**

Nancy Cartmill, President, called the special meeting of the Cabell County Commission to order at 10:00 a.m.

Robert L. Bailey, Commissioner, **moved to approve purchase orders #13-45368 through #13-45394 and pay jackets.** Anne Yon, Commissioner, seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

**#276**                    **LETTER, KAREN S. COLE, CABELL COUNTY CLERK**

**RE: EMPLOYMENT FOR EARLY VOTING**

**FOUR (4) DEMOCRAT EARLY VOTING CLERKS**

**FOUR (4) REPUBLICAN EARLY VOTING CLERKS**

Chris Tatum, County Manager, explained the letter from Karen S. Cole, County Clerk, stated she requested the Commission's approval to hire four Democrat early voting clerks and four

Republican early voting clerks for assistance with the 2012 Statewide General Election. Mr. Tatum stated no names or rates of pay were listed on the letter.

Robert L. Bailey, Commissioner, stated he did not want to approve the letter until he knew the names of the persons Ms. Cole intended to hire.

Chris Tatum, County Manager, said he would attempt to contact Ms. Cole to get the names and pay rates.

Chris Tatum, County Manager, returned to the meeting after speaking with Ms. Cole via telephone. Mr. Tatum stated Ms. Cole said the rate of pay would be \$90 per day, and she was currently uncertain as to whether or not she would have to move people within her office to fill some of the vacancies, or if she would use outside employment to fill all positions. Mr. Tatum suggested the Commission specify that if the person filling the vacancy is already employed by the county, their current rate of pay would remain the same, and if the person filling the vacancy was not currently a county employee, the rate of \$90 per day would apply.

Robert L. Bailey, Commissioner, stated he would like to know who Ms. Cole planned on employing before he gave his approval.

Nancy Cartmill, President, stated she did not feel that it was important to have names, seeing as how Ms. Cole had always handled the hiring in the past and there had never been any problems.

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Robert L. Bailey, Commissioner, stated he wanted to know the names of those to be employed, because he would not approve the employment of anyone related to Ms. Cole.

Nancy Cartmill, President, stated Ms. Cole had never done this in the past and did not feel it would be a concern now.

William Watson, County Attorney, stated if anyone felt this could be an issue it would need to be addressed in the motion.

Robert L. Bailey, Commissioner, stated he would like the motion to contain wording stating that no relatives of Ms. Cole could be hired.

Nancy Cartmill, President, **moved to approve the employment of four (4) Democrat early voting clerks and (4) Republican voting clerks; if already county employees rate of pay will remain the same, if not currently employed by the county rate of pay will be \$90 per day; those employed could not be related to Karen Cole, County Clerk.** Anne Yon, Commissioner, seconded the motion and the vote was unanimous.

Nancy Cartmill, President, adjourned the special meeting of the Cabell County Commission at 10:18 a.m., until the next scheduled meeting on Thursday, October 25, 2012, at 10:00 a.m.

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**PRESIDENT, COUNTY COMMISSION**

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