

DECEMBER 20, 2018

THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENED THIS DATE AT 10:30 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM, CARBON COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA.

PRESENT WERE COMMISSIONERS NOTHSTEIN, GERHARD, AND O'GUREK, CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AHNER, SOLICITOR MISCAVIGE, AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY MARIANNE BUTRIE.

THE COUNTY CONTROLLER, COUNTY TREASURER, COUNTY SHERIFF, AND THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR WERE ALSO PRESENT.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE:**

A MOMENT OF SILENCE WAS OBSERVED.

**PRAYER:**

COMMISSIONER O'GUREK OFFERED THE PRAYER.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**

THE MEETING OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.

**OFFICIAL ACTIONS OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS:**

**MINUTES:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD DECEMBER 13, 2018.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

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**GUESTS (CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS):**

CHRIS LUKASEVICH, JIM THORPE, PA RE: K-9 SHELTER RENOVATIONS; QUESTIONED IF  
U.S. STEEL REQUIREMENT IS IN BID SPECS  
FOR SUSQUEHANNA STREET PROJECT

TOM LUX, JIM THORPE, PA RE: PARKING LOT PARKING BOOTH LOCATION;  
SOLUTIONS FOR TRAFFIC BACK-UP; FEE INCREASES

MARLYN KISSNER, CARBON COUNTY RE: THANKED BOARD FOR THEIR SUPPORT IN  
CHAMBER & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT MAKING 2018 A GREAT YEAR

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:**

THE CHAIRMAN REPORTED THAT THERE WERE NO EXECUTIVE SESSIONS HELD.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR:**

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE THE BUDGET TRANSFERS AS LISTED ON TRANSMITTALS DATED DECEMBER 20, 2018.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS:**

THERE WERE NO SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS.

**ETHICS COMMISSION COMPLIANCE:**

COMMISSIONER O'GUREK SUBMITTED A MEMORANDUM (ATTACHED) IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH THE STATE ETHICS ACT THAT LISTS HIS CONFLICTS OF INTEREST WITH THE TIMES NEWS AND PENCOR RELATED COMPANIES WHICH THE ETHICS COMMISSION HAS REQUESTED HE FILE ON A REGULAR BASIS.

**MEMORANDUM**

SECTION 1103(J) OF THE ETHICS ACTS PROVIDES AS FOLLOWS:

VOTING CONFLICT-WHERE VOTING CONFLICTS ARE NOT OTHERWISE ADDRESSED BY THE CONSTITUTION OF PENNSYLVANIA OR BY ANY LAW RULE REGULATION ORDER OR ORDINANCE, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE SHALL BE EMPLOYED. ANY PUBLIC OFFICIAL OR PUBLIC EMPLOYEE WHO IN THE DISCHARGE OF HIS OFFICIAL DUTIES WOULD BE REQUIRED TO VOTE ON A MATTER THAT WOULD RESULT IN A CONFLICT OF INTEREST SHALL ABSTAIN FROM VOTING AND PRIOR TO THE VOTE BEING TAKEN PUBLICLY ANNOUNCE AND DISCLOSE THE NATURE OF HIS INTEREST AS A PUBLIC RECORD IN A WRITTEN MEMORANDUM FILED WITH THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR RECORDING THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING AT WHICH THE VOTE IS TAKEN PROVIDED THAT WHENEVER A GOVERNING BODY WOULD BE UNABLE TO TAKE ANY ACTION ON A MATTER BEFORE IT BECAUSE THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE BODY REQUIRED TO ABSTAIN FROM VOTING UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION MAKES THE MAJORITY OR OTHER LEGALLY REQUIRED VOTE OF APPROVAL

UNATTAINABLE THEN SUCH MEMBERS SHALL BE PROVIDED TO VOTE IF DISCLOSURES ARE MADE AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED HEREIN. IN THE CASE OF A THREE-MEMBER GOVERNING BODY OF A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WHERE ONE MEMBER HAS ABSTAINED FROM VOTING AS A RESULT OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND THE REMAINING TWO MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY HAVE CAST OPPOSING VOTES THE MEMBER WHO HAS ABSTAINED SHALL BE PERMITTED TO VOTE TO BREAK THE TIE VOTE IF DISCLOSURE IS MADE AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED HEREIN.

ACCORDINGLY, TO COMPLY WITH THIS SECTION OF THE ETHICS ACT, I AM SUBMITTING THIS MEMORANDUM AS A MEANS OF PROVIDING FULL DISCLOSURE OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST, STATING THAT I AM ABSTAINING TODAY ON ANY ACTIONS RELATING TO PAYING BILLS TO, ADVERTISING WITH, ACCEPTING PROPOSALS FROM AND/OR ENTERING CONTRACTS WITH TIMES NEWS, LEHIGHTON, PA, BECAUSE I AM A PART-TIME EMPLOYEE THERE, AS WELL AS ITS SISTER COMPANIES, INCLUDING BLUE RIDGE COMMUNICATIONS, PENTELEDATA, THE PALMERTON TELEPHONE COMPANY AND PENCOR HOSE AND FITTING, AND ANY OTHER PENCOR SERVICES' AFFILIATES.

/S/ WILLIAM J. O'GUREK, MEMBER

12/20/2018

**EXPENDITURE APPROVAL:**

**GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT:**

APPROVAL OF CHECK NUMBERS 202971 THROUGH 203096 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 111,712.35
GENERAL FUND – LOAN #1 C&Y	\$ 250,000.00
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$ 3,532.16
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$ 2,574.87
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$ 28,898.60
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$ 1,004.78
HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY FUND	\$ 37.34
DOMESTIC RELATIONS FUND	\$ 1,248.28
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT FUND	\$ 885.50
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 234.53
CARBON TRANSPORTATION FUND	\$ 112,317.45
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 2,561.90
CDBG FUND	\$ 40,754.27
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 70,110.68
FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND	\$ <u>734.94</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 626,607.65

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE PAYMENT OF THE CHECK NUMBERS AS LISTED ABOVE.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES*
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

\* MR. O'GUREK STATED, "YES, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE BILLS FOR THE TIMES NEWS, PENTELEDATA, AND BLUE RIDGE COMMUNICATIONS, TO WHICH I ABSTAIN SINCE I AM A PART-TIME EMPLOYEE OF THE TIMES NEWS WHICH IS A SISTER COMPANY OF BLUE RIDGE COMMUNICATIONS, AND PENTELEDATA."

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**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT  
DATED DECEMBER 10, 2018 TO DECEMBER 14, 2018 REPORTING BALANCES AS FOLLOWS:

**BALANCES AS OF DECEMBER 14, 2018:**

GENERAL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 10,757.50
GENERAL FUND SP NOW	\$ 9,383,645.10
OPERATING RESERVE FUND	\$ 957,182.00
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$ 206,445.75
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$ 940,815.77
LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND	\$ 534,145.75
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$ 312,936.46
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$ 38,579.26
HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY FUND	\$ 17,779.34
DOMESTIC RELATIONS IV-D FUND	\$ 117,511.02
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT	\$ 14,686.11
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 106,982.96
CARBON TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FUND	\$ 239,212.88
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 1,313,425.46
HAZMAT RESPONSE FUND	\$ 132,632.64
OFFENDER SUPERVISION FUND	\$ 449,687.34
ADULT ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND	\$ 186,628.43
FARMLAND PRESERVATION FUND	\$ 48,465.72
HUMAN SERVICES DEVELOPMENT FUND	\$ 14,487.20
HOMELESS GRANT FUND	\$ 7,212.78
CENTRALIZED BOOKING FUND	\$ 119,536.24
VICTIM/WITNESS FUND	\$ 12,488.51
RECORDER OF DEEDS IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 37,091.10
COUNTY RECORDS IMPROVEMENTS FUND	\$ 15,776.56
JUVENILE SUPERVISION FEE FUND	\$ 38,545.95
COMMUNITY SERVICE FEE FUND	\$ 11,165.46
PROTHONOTARY AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 76,407.47
AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND	\$ 292,550.00
CLERK OF COURTS AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 2,352.57
REGISTER OF WILLS AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 9,636.08
JUVENILE ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND	\$ 6,119.02
VITAL STATS IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 44,271.85
SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION	\$ 131,246.98
LIQUID FUELS/ACT 44	\$ 447,998.30
HIGHWAY BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT ACT 13	\$ 518,960.46
VICTIMS SERVICES FUND	\$ 48,752.37
HOTEL ROOM EXCISE TAX FUND	\$ 16,859.34
CDBG FUND	\$ 41,437.05
DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$ 998,184.43
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 8,289,862.56
FRINGE BENEFITS PAYMENT FUND	\$ 509,396.90
PAYROLL FUND	\$ 33,270.40
TAX CLAIM FUND	\$ 667,900.49

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

THE CHAIRMAN RECESSED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 10:38 A.M. IN ORDER TO RECONVENE THE MONTHLY SALARY BOARD MEETING.

THE BOARD RECONVENED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 10:39 A.M.

**PERSONNEL REPORT:**

**RESIGNATIONS:**

**JOSEPH P. COLLINS**, LANSFORD, PA – SPECIAL DEPUTY SHERIFF TRAINEE, SHERIFF’S OFFICE – EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 18, 2018.

**AARON GROOVER**, PALMERTON, PA – PART-TIME DISPATCHER/TRAINEE, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER – EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 18, 2018.

**CHANGE OF STATUS:**

**AMANDA C. MCMAHON**, ALLENTOWN, PA  
FROM: PART-TIME DISPATCHER, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER  
TO: 911 OPERATOR, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER  
EFFECTIVE: JANUARY 17, 2019

**INTERNSHIP:**

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY’S OFFICE**

**NICHOLAS ROSAHAC**, JIM THORPE, PA  
ALBRIGHT COLLEGE, CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR  
FROM: DECEMBER 20, 2018  
TO: JANUARY 14, 2019

**SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUESTS:**

**CLERK OF COURTS**

**KAREN L. SWEENEY**  
TRAINING ON ASSESSMENT OF COSTS & FINES  
ALLENTOWN, PA

**COURTS SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUEST ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

**ADULT PROBATION**

**RICHMOND S. PARSONS**  
COUNTY CHIEF ADULT PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF PA QUARTERLY MEETING  
STATE COLLEGE, PA  
COST: LODGING

**JUVENILE COURT**

**KUMRA VUKELJ**  
NEW USER JUVENILE DELINQUENCY CASE PROCESSING  
MECHANICSBURG, PA  
COST: LODGING

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O’GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PERSONNEL REPORT DATED DECEMBER 20, 2018.

BOARD POLLED: O’GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

MINUTES RECEIVED: NOVEMBER 20, 2018 MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY SAFETY COMMITTEE.

**ESG GRANT/2018:**

**#18-560 BUDGET REVISION:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO RATIFY THE SUBMISSION OF A REVISED BUDGET AS PER THE NOTIFICATION RECEIVED FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR THE 2018 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT (ESG) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$79,200. DCED AWARDED THE FOLLOWING AMOUNTS BASED ON THE SUB-RECIPIENT SUBMITTED BUDGETS: CARBON COUNTY ACTION COMMITTEE FOR HUMAN SERVICES - \$45,000; FAMILY PROMISE OF CARBON COUNTY - \$34,200\*

\*CARBON COUNTY WAS AWARDED \$2,970 FOR ADMINISTRATION; THE COUNTY HAS ALLOCATED THESE FUNDS TO FAMILY PROMISE TO PROVIDE SERVICES.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:**

**#18-561 CDBG 2018 DELEGATION OF SIGNING**

**RESOLUTION:**

COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) DELEGATION OF SIGNING AUTHORITY FORMS FOR CONTRACT #C000061823, C000063981, C000066603, & C000068598, ALONG WITH RESOLUTION LISTING THE DIRECTOR OF CARBON COUNTY PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT AND CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL AS AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES ON CONTRACTS AND PROGRAM INVOICES FOR CDBG, AND/OR CDBG COMPETITIVE PROGRAMS WERE SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL AND EXECUTION.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ADOPT THE NECESSARY RESOLUTION AS FOLLOWS:

**RESOLUTION #18-042**  
**CDBG 2018 DELEGATION OF SIGNING**

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CARBON, COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, DELEGATING SIGNING AUTHORITY FOR CDBG AND HOME INVOICES

**WHEREAS**, CARBON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION IS THE AGENCY FOR THE COUNTY OF CARBON FOR ADMINISTRATION OF CDBG, CDBG COMPETITIVE, AND/OR HOME PROGRAMS; AND

**WHEREAS**, IN THE COURSE OF ADMINISTERING SAID PROGRAMS, INVOICES WILL BE SUBMITTED AS APPROPRIATE IN THE ADMINISTRATION OF THE APPLICABLE PROGRAM; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT HAS REQUESTED AUTHORIZATION AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THE APPROPRIATE PARTIES FOR EXECUTION OF SAID INVOICES.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CARBON, THAT THE PLANNING DIRECTOR OF THE CARBON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION AND CHIEF ELECTED OFFICIAL WILL BE THE AUTHORIZED SIGNATORIES ON CONTRACTS FOR CDBG, CDBG COMPETITIVE, AND/OR HOME PROGRAMS.

**DULY ADOPTED** AT A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CARBON HELD THE 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER , 2018.

**CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

/S/ WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN  
/S/ TOM J. GERHARD, VICE-CHAIRMAN  
/S/ WILLIAM J. O'GUREK, MEMBER

ATTEST:

/S/ ELOISE K. AHNER, CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE NECESSARY FORMS.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

**PARKS/RECREATION:**

**#18-562 BANNER REQUEST:**

A BANNER REQUEST WAS SUBMITTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

MARIAN CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL, TAMAQUA, PA  
POLAR PLUNGE, JANUARY 26, 2019  
(1/12/19 TO 1/27/19)

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE BANNER REQUEST AS SUBMITTED.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**PURCHASING DEPARTMENT:**

**#18-563 ADDENDUM/BALLIET:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE AN ADDENDUM TO THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND LINDA A. BALLIET, LEHIGHTON, PENNSYLVANIA FOR SUPPORT SERVICES FOR THE CARBON COUNTY PURCHASING DEPARTMENT PROVIDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL SIXTY (60) HOURS AT \$25.00/HOUR.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**#18-564 EAGLE SCOUT/HOFFMAN:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION HONORING DALTON JAMES HOFFMAN, MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP #41 HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, PALMERTON, PENNSYLVANIA, FOR ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT.

**RESOLUTION #18-043**

**EAGLE SCOUT DALTON JAMES HOFFMAN**

**WHEREAS**, DALTON JAMES HOFFMAN OF PALMERTON HAS SUCCEEDED IN ACHIEVING SCOUTING'S HIGHEST HONOR, THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT; AND

**WHEREAS**, DALTON JAMES HOFFMAN IS A MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 41, HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, PALMERTON, PENNSYLVANIA, AND HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN SCOUTING FOR 11 YEARS. DURING

HIS SCOUTING CAREER, HE HAS EARNED 23 BADGES, INCLUDING WILDERNESS SURVIVAL, INSECT STUDY, REPTILE/AMPHIBIAN STUDY, AND SWIMMING. DALTON HAS SERVED AS QUARTERMASTER AND ASSISTANT SENIOR PATROL LEADER; AND

**WHEREAS**, DALTON JAMES HOFFMAN'S EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT WAS BUILDING AND PLACING QUARTER MILE MARKERS ALONG THE PRAIRIE GRASS TRAIL AT THE LEHIGH GAP NATURE CENTER. DALTON RAISED MONEY THROUGH A BAKE SALE TO FUND THE PROJECT. HE HAD 20 MILE MARKER SIGNS MADE, PURCHASED THE METAL POSTS AND AFFIXED THE MILE MARKER SIGNS TO THE POSTS. DALTON USED A MILE TRACKER TO DETERMINE THE PLACEMENT OF THE POSTS. DALTON SPENT APPROXIMATELY 33 HOURS ON THIS PROJECT; AND

**WHEREAS**, DALTON JAMES HOFFMAN HAS DEVELOPED THE NECESSARY SKILLS AND DETERMINATION TO ACHIEVE AN HONOR HE WILL VALUE FOR A LIFETIME; AND

**WHEREAS**, DALTON JAMES HOFFMAN IS AN INSPIRATION TO YOUNG MEN THROUGH HIS DEDICATION AND LEADERSHIP; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY WISHES TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF DALTON JAMES HOFFMAN.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY HEREBY RECOGNIZES THE ACHIEVEMENT OF DALTON JAMES HOFFMAN AND COMMENDS AND CONGRATULATES HIM IN ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT.

**ADOPTED** BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2018.

**CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

/S/ WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN  
/S/ TOM J. GERHARD, VICE-CHAIRMAN  
/S/ WILLIAM J. O'GUREK, MEMBER

**ATTEST:**

/S/ ELOISE K. AHNER, CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**#18-565 EAGLE SCOUT/MECKES:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION HONORING, KYLE JAMES MECKES, MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP #41 HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, PALMERTON, PENNSYLVANIA, FOR ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT:

**RESOLUTION #18-044**

**EAGLE SCOUT KYLE JAMES MECKES**

**WHEREAS**, KYLE JAMES MECKES OF PALMERTON HAS SUCCEEDED IN ACHIEVING SCOUTING'S HIGHEST HONOR, THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT; AND

**WHEREAS**, KYLE JAMES MECKES IS A MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 41, HOLY TRINITY CHURCH, PALMERTON, PENNSYLVANIA, AND HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN SCOUTING FOR 10 YEARS. DURING HIS SCOUTING CAREER, HE HAS EARNED 21 BADGES, INCLUDING COOKING, PERSONAL FITNESS, EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND WOODCARVING. KYLE HAS SERVED AS QUARTERMASTER, ASSISTANT SENIOR PATROL LEADER AND IS A MEMBER OF THE ORDER OF THE ARROW; AND

**WHEREAS**, KYLE JAMES MECKES' EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT WAS BUILDING A NATURAL PLAYGROUND AT BELTZVILLE STATE PARK. THE PLAYGROUND FEATURED ITEMS KYLE BUILT: TWO BENCHES, A CARVED WOODEN "FLINTSTONES" STYLE CAR, STEPPING LOGS, AND BALANCE BEAMS. ALL MATERIALS HE USED WERE NATURAL-WOOD, STONE, AND MULCH. KYLE SPENT 139 HOURS ON THIS PROJECT; AND

**WHEREAS**, KYLE JAMES MECKES HAS DEVELOPED THE NECESSARY SKILLS AND DETERMINATION TO ACHIEVE AN HONOR HE WILL VALUE FOR A LIFETIME; AND

**WHEREAS**, KYLE JAMES MECKES IS AN INSPIRATION TO YOUNG MEN THROUGH HIS DEDICATION



AND LEADERSHIP; AND

WHEREAS, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY WISHES TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF KYLE JAMES MECKES.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY HEREBY RECOGNIZES THE ACHIEVEMENT OF KYLE JAMES MECKES AND COMMENDS AND CONGRATULATES HIM IN ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT.

ADOPTED BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 20<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF DECEMBER, 2018.

CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

- /S/ WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN
- /S/ TOM J. GERHARD, VICE-CHAIRMAN
- /S/ WILLIAM J. O'GUREK, MEMBER

**ATTEST:**

/S/ ELOISE K. AHNER, CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

COMMISSIONER O'GUREK COMMENTED ON THE DECISION TO CLOSE THE COUNTY OFFICES ON CHRISTMAS EVE DAY.

THE COMMISSIONERS THANKED THE COUNTY EMPLOYEES FOR THE GREAT JOB THEY DO AND WISHED EVERYONE A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD,

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED AT 10:45 A.M.

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ELOISE K. AHNER,  
CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

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WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN