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, COURTHOUSE ANNEX, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA.

PRESENT WERE COMMISSIONERS NOTHSTEIN AND GERHARD, CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AHNER, SOLICITOR MISCAVIGE, AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY MARIANNE BUTRIE. THE COUNTY CONTROLLER, COUNTY SHERIFF, COUNTY TREASURER, AND THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR WERE ALSO PRESENT.

COMMISSIONERS O’GUEREK WAS ABSENT.

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

A MOMENT OF SILENCE WAS OBSERVED.

PRAYER:

THE CHAIRMAN 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. NOTHSTEIN, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD JUNE 15, 2017.

BOARD POLLED: GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

GUESTS (CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS):

THERE WERE NO GUESTS CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS.

RESOLUTION:

#17-240 PENN STATE EXTENSION:
100TH ANNIVERSARY:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION #17-022
100TH ANNIVERSARY/PENN STATE EXTENSION

WHEREAS, THE SIGNING OF THE SMITH-LEVER ACT ON MAY 8, 1914 ESTABLISHED COOPERATIVE EXTENSIONS AS THE INFORMATION EDUCATIONAL ARM OF THE LAND GRANT UNIVERSITIES. IN PENNSYLVANIA, PENN STATE UNIVERSITY WAS CHOSEN TO BE THE LAND GRANT UNIVERSITY BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE; AND

WHEREAS, THE EXTENSION WAS FIRST ESTABLISHED IN CARBON COUNTY IN 1917 WITH THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE CARBON COUNTY FARM BUREAU, WHICH THEN BECAME THE AGRICULTURAL EXTENSION ASSOCIATION OF CARBON COUNTY IN 1924; AND
WHEREAS, THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION HAS BEEN TO DISSEMINATE AGRICULTURAL AND HOME ECONOMICS PROGRAMMING TO AUDIENCES FROM RURAL TO URBAN. SINCE ITS INCEPTION, THE CARBON COUNTY EXTENSION HAS HAD A POSITIVE IMPACT ON THE ADVANCEMENT OF AGRICULTURE, HOME ECONOMICS AND YOUTH DEVELOPMENT; AND

WHEREAS, AGRICULTURE IS AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION AND HAS GROWN TO INCLUDE FARMLAND PRESERVATION, WASTE DISPOSAL, WATER QUALITY, AND PESTICIDE SAFETY. THE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION’S RESEARCH-BASED EDUCATION FOR FARMERS AND RANCHERS HELPED ESTABLISH THE UNITED STATES AS A LEADING AGRICULTURAL-PRODUCING NATION; AND

WHEREAS, HOME ECONOMICS EDUCATION HAS PLAYED AN IMPORTANT ROLE OVER THE YEARS AND HAS EVOLVED FROM EMPHASIS ON FOOD PRESERVATION TO EMPHASIS ON FAMILY ISSUES, INCLUDING DIET, HEALTH, CHILD CARE, AND ECONOMICS; AND

WHEREAS, YOUTH DEVELOPMENT IS ANOTHER DIVISION OF THE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION. IN 1918, THE PIG CLUB WAS FORMED TO INSTRUCT BOYS AND GIRLS IN THE FEEDING AND MANAGEMENT OF PIGS. THIS CLUB WAS THE PREDECESSOR OF TODAY’S CARBON COUNTY 4-H. 4-H PROGRAMMING INCLUDES DAIRY, POULTRY, FRUIT, VEGETABLE AND OTHER AGRICULTURAL MANAGEMENT PRACTICES. PRESENTLY, 4-H IS INVOLVED IN OVER 100 DIFFERENT PROJECTS, INCLUDING AGRICULTURE, HOME ECONOMICS, FORESTRY, WILDLIFE, AND LEADERSHIP SKILLS JUST TO NAME A FEW.

WHEREAS, THE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION WORKS WITH THE COMMUNITY TO ACQUIRE THE KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS AND MOTIVATION NEEDED TO THE PROFITABILITY OF ANIMAL AND PLANT PRODUCTION SYSTEMS, PROTECTS NATURAL RESOURCES, HELPS PEOPLE MAKE HEALTHY LIFESTYLE CHOICES, ENSURES A SAFE AND ABUNDANT FOOD SUPPLY, ENCOURAGES COMMUNITY VITALITY AND GROWS THE NEXT GENERATION OF LEADERS.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY HEREBY RECOGNIZES THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE CARBON COUNTY COOPERATIVE EXTENSION AND ITS SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY AND RECOGNIZES THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE COOPERATIVE EXTENSION AS IT PROVIDES EDUCATION TO BUILD A BETTER FUTURE.

ADOPTED BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 22ND DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

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: GERHARD YES
NOThSTEIN YES

MR. STEVE ALESSI, CLIENT RELATIONSHIP MANAGER FOR PENN STATE EXTENSION, ACCEPTED THE RESOLUTION AND THANKED THE COUNTY FOR ITS SUPPORT OVER THE LAST 100 YEARS.

FREE ICE CREAM FROM THE PENN STATE CREAMERY WAS GIVEN OUT IN FRONT OF THE COURT HOUSE ANNEX FOLLOWING THE MEETING.

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. NOTHSTEIN, TO APPROVE THE BUDGET TRANSFERS AS
SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO APPROVE THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS AS LISTED ON TRANSMITTAL DATED JUNE 22, 2017.

EXPENDITURE APPROVAL:

GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT:

APPROVAL OF CHECK NUMBERS 131455 THROUGH 131554 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

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

TREASURER’S REPORT:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER’S REPORT DATED JUNE 16, 2017 REPORTING BALANCES AS FOLLOWS:

BALANCES AS OF JUNE 16, 2017:

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PERSONNEL REPORT:

EMPLOYMENT SEPARATIONS:


RESIGNATIONS:


CHANGE OF STATUS:
PETER J. GULICK, NESQUEHONING, PA
FROM: PARKING METER ATTENDANT/ARCHIVES ASSISTANT, PARKING/ARCHIVES
TO: PARKING/METER ATTENDANT, PARKING FUND
EFFECTIVE: JULY 3, 2017

CHAD A. MALESKI, WEATHERLY, PA
FROM: PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER/TEAMSTERS, CORRECTIONS
TO: CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS
EFFECTIVE: JULY 3, 2017

JAMES C. PAVELCO, PALMERTON, PA
FROM: PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS
TO: PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER/TEAMSTERS, CORRECTIONS
EFFECTIVE: JULY 3, 2017

HIRF:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO ACCEPT THE PERSONNEL REPORT DATED JUNE 22, 2017.

BOARD POLLED: GERHARD YES NOTHSTEIN YES

CORRESPONDENCE:
MINUTES RECEIVED: MAY 16, 2017 MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION.

THE BRIDGE CREW REPORTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING JUNE 9, 2017 WERE RECEIVED FROM LIQUID FUELS COORDINATOR, EMILY KATTNER.

ARCHIVES RENOVATION PROJECT:
#17-241 BOGNET/CHANGE ORDER #1:
CHANGE ORDER #1 TO THE CONTRACT WITH BOGNET, INCORPORATED, HAZLE TOWNSHIP, PENNSYLVANIA, FOR THE ARCHIVES BUILDING RENOVATION PROJECT, GENERAL CONSTRUCTION, WAS SUBMITTED AS FOLLOWS:
1) PERFORM MOLD REMEDIATION ON UPPER LEVEL WOOD CEILING SYSTEM +$9,775.00
2) ELIMINATE VAPOR BARRIER INSTALLATION ON UPPER LEVEL CEILING -$1,372.88
3) INSTALL DETECTABLE WARNING SURFACES ON (2) DEPRESSED CURBS TO MEET ADA COMPLIANCE +$ 519.39
TOTAL $8,921.51

ORIGINAL CONTRACT - $615,836.00. NEW CONTRACT TOTAL - $624,757.51

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF CHANGE ORDER #1 TO THE CONTRACT WITH BOGNET.

BOARD POLLED: GERHARD YES NOTHSTEIN YES
AREA AGENCY ON AGING:

#17-242 LINK PROGRAM:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION OF THE Carbon County Area Agency on Aging to be FISCAL MANAGER FOR THE LINK PROGRAM FROM JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018 AS OUTLINED IN THE CORE PARTNER AGREEMENT APPROVED MARCH 1, 2012.

BOARD POLLED: GERHARD YES NOTHSTEIN YES

#17-243 AGREEMENT RENEWAL/ROVINSKI-MANN:

A REQUEST WAS RECEIVED FROM THE OFFICE ON AGING FOR RENEWAL OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF CARBON, CARBON COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING AND JULIE ROVINSKI-MANN, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA, TO CONTINUE IN THE POSITION OF CARBON COUNTY LINK COORDINATOR, CREATED BY A FEDERALLY MANDATED AND FUNDED PROGRAM, FOR THE TERM JULY 1, 2017 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2018 AT A RATE OF $25.00/HOUR, WITH FLEXIBLE HOURS UP TO BUT NOT EXCEEDING 40 HOURS PER WEEK. THIS CONTRACT WILL RENEW YEARLY, SUBJECT TO FUNDING AVAILABILITY.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH JULIE ROVINSKI-MANN.

BOARD POLLED: GERHARD YES NOTHSTEIN YES

CHILDREN & YOUTH:

#17-244 AGREEMENTS:

FY 2016-17 PURCHASE OF SERVICE AGREEMENTS WERE SUBMITTED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROVIDERS:

VALLEY YOUTH HOUSE, ALLENTOWN, PA

**PROVIDER: VALLEY YOUTH HOUSE**

**FY 16-17**

- LEHIGH VALLEY SHELTER $173.59/PER DIEM
- BASE RATE WITHOUT IILS (THERAPY) $150.47/PER DIEM
- PREGNANT TEEN/HIGH STRUCTURE RATE (24 HR/7 DAY SUPERVISION) $187.08/PER DIEM
- BASE RATE FOR MOTHER $178.38/PER DIEM
- BASE RATE FOR BABY (ADD’L PER CHILD AFTER 1ST CHILD) $50.99/PER DIEM
- BASE RATE FOR MOM W/1 BABY $116.93/PER DIEM
- SIL SINGLE RATE $116.93/PER DIEM
- SIL MOTHER W/CHILD RATE $163.65/PER DIEM
- SIL MOTHER W/2 CHILDREN RATE $200.14/PER DIEM
- TEEN MOTHER W/CHILD RATE (REAL) $229.37/PER DIEM
- BASE IILS ACT 148 $19.00/PER DIEM
- INTENSIVE IILS ACT 148 $42.00/PER DIEM
- BABY DAYCARE UNTIL TITLE XX IS EFFECTIVE $33.00/PER DIEM

VALLEY YOUTH HOUSE (ADOLESCENT ACHIEVEMENT PROGRAM), ALLENTOWN, PA

**PROVIDER: VALLEY YOUTH HOUSE**

(ADOLESCENT ACHIEVEMENT INDEPENDENCE PROGRAM)
JUNE 22, 2017

FY 16-17

INDEPENDENT LIVING $98,467.00/PER YEAR

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACTS AS LISTED.

BOARD POLLED: GERHARD YES
               NOTHSTEIN YES

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:

#17-245  HMRF GRANT:

THE SFY 2016/2017 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE FUND (HMRF) GRANT AGREEMENT FOR FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF $3,711.00 FOR HAZMAT SUPPLIES, TRAINING, EDUCATIONAL MATERIALS, ETC. WAS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL AND EXECUTION.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT.

BOARD POLLED: GERHARD YES
               NOTHSTEIN YES

HUMAN SERVICES:

#17-246  STATE FOOD/STATE PLAN:

A COMMUNICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THE CARBON COUNTY HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY/AAA REQUESTING APPROVAL OF THE SHEPHERD HOUSE, INCORPORATED STATE PLAN OF THE STATE FOOD PURCHASE PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD JULY 1, 2017 TO JUNE 30, 2018. THE REVENUE ALLOCATION HAS NOT BEEN FINALIZED.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO APPROVE THE PLAN AS SUBMITTED.

BOARD POLLED: GERHARD YES
               NOTHSTEIN YES

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:

#17-247  CDBG/FY 2013 CONTRACT EXTENSION:


MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE LETTER.

BOARD POLLED: GERHARD YES
               NOTHSTEIN YES

SERVICE AGREEMENTS:

#17-248  OTIS ELEVATOR/PRICE INCREASE:

A CONTRACT INCREASE WAS SUBMITTED BY OTIS ELEVATOR COMPANY, ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, FOR ELEVATOR MAINTENANCE AND SERVICE IN ACCORDANCE WITH PRICE ADJUSTMENT PROVISION AS SET FORTH IN THE CURRENT CONTRACT.
THE PRICE SHALL INCREASE FROM $3,392.29 TO $3,515.21 (INCREASE: $122.92/ANNUALLY) FOR THE TERM 7/01/17 TO 6/30/18.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT INCREASE FOR OTIS ELEVATOR.

BOARD POLLED: GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

#17-249 SCHINDLER ELEVATOR:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO RATIFY THE ANNUAL RENEWAL OF ELEVATOR SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH SCHINDLER ELEVATOR CORPORATION FOR THE COURT HOUSE, ANNEX, AND 76 SUSQUEHANNA STREET AT A TOTAL MONTHLY COST OF $516.11 (INCREASE OF $12.24/MONTH) FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2017. (THIS DOES NOT COVER THE ELEVATOR FOR THE THIRD JUDGE AREA.)

BOARD POLLED: GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

CCCF/PROFESSIONAL SERVICES:

#17-250 PCORP/TIMEKEEPING SYSTEMS:

A PROFESSIONAL AND SECURITY SERVICES AGREEMENT BETWEEN TIMEKEEPING SYSTEMS INCORPORATED, PENNSYLVANIA COUNTIES RISK POOL (PCORP), AND THE COUNTY OF CARBON TO HAVE GUARDI/TIMEKEEPING SOLUTIONS INSTALL A TIMEKEEPING SYSTEM THROUGHOUT THE CARBON COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY (CCCF) CELL BLOCKS, WAS PRESENTED FOR BOARD ACTION.

THE INITIAL TERM OF THE AGREEMENT WILL BE THREE (3) YEARS, AND SHALL CONTINUE FOR SUCCESSIVE ONE YEAR PERIODS, UNLESS TERMINATED BY EITHER PARTY GIVING THIRTY (30) DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE.

THE ESTIMATED COST IS $22,816.57 TO BE PAID BY PCORP WITH NO COST TO THE COUNTY. IF THE COUNTY CEASES TO BE A MEMBER OF PCORP WITHIN THE THREE (3) YEAR TERM, THE COUNTY AGREES TO REIMBURSE PCORP ALL COSTS AND FEES.
*YEARLY SERVICE AGREEMENT IS AN ESTIMATED $1,500.00 ANNUAL COST TO THE COUNTY BUT IS NOT MANDATORY.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE PROFESSIONAL AND SECURITY SERVICES AGREEMENT.

BOARD POLLED: GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO ACCEPT THE COST FOR THE YEARLY MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT.

BOARD POLLED: GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

RESOLUTIONS:

#17-251 BEAVER MEADOWS:

230TH ANNIVERSARY:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 230TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE BOROUGH OF BEAVER MEADOWS:
JUNE 22, 2017

RESOLUTION #17-023
230th ANNIVERSARY/BEAVER MEADOWS

WHEREAS, THE BOROUGH OF BEAVER MEADOWS IS CELEBRATING THE 230th ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FOUNDING, HAVING BEEN FORMED IN 1787 WHEN LAND WAS DEEDED AT THAT TIME TO THE LATE PATRICK AND MARY KEEN;

WHEREAS, THE BOROUGH IS CUT OUT OF A PORTION OF LAND OF WHAT WAS ONCE KNOWN AS ST. ANTHONY'S WILDERNESS, PART OF THE GREAT NORTHERN SWAMP TRAIL, COMING TO LIFE OUT OF A LAND TRANSACTION FROM NORTHAMPTON COUNTY, ONE OF THE ORIGINAL 3 COUNTIES OF PENNSYLVANIA, FORMED IN 1752;

WHEREAS, J.M. STAUFFER SUCCEEDED IN HAVING BEAVER MEADOWS CHARTERED AS A BOROUGH IN 1897, SOME 110 YEARS AFTER KEENE RECEIVED THE DEED;

WHEREAS, "THE MOTHER OF CARBON COUNTY" HAS A STORIED HISTORY THAT INCLUDES:

- THE DISCOVERY OF COAL THERE IN 1812 BY NATHAN BEACH.
- THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE BEAVER MEADOW RAILROAD AND COAL COMPANY IN 1841;
- HOPKIN THOMAS, A WELSH ENGINEER AND MASTER MECHANIC, DEVELOPED A TOTALLY HARD-COAL OPERATED LOCOMOTIVE AND THE FIRST COLD-CURED STEEL LOCOMOTIVE WHEEL, BOTH BEING THE FIRST OF THEIR KINDS KIND IN THE COUNTRY.
- THE BOROUGH IS THE SITE OF THE FIRST STEAM-DRIVEN RAILROAD IN THE COUNTY.
- REUBAN DINKEY, A MASTER MECHANIC FOR THE BMRR, INVENTED AND DEVELOPED A SMALL ENGINE DESIGNED FOR LIGHT TRAFFIC CALLED THE "DINKEY ENGINE" IN THE SHOPS OF THE BEAVER MEADOW RAILROAD.
- BMRR WAS THE FIRST TO UTILIZE A GRAVITY-DRIVEN MINE DRAINAGE TUNNEL IN THE AREA. THIS TUNNEL SYSTEM IS STILL IN OPERATION AND CONTINUES TO RELIEVE WATER DRAINAGE FROM THE TOWN INTO THE STILL CREEK VALLEY.
- ST. MARY'S RC CHURCH IN 1808 BECAME THE FIRST CHARTERED CHURCH IN THE AREA.
- AND EARLY INDUSTRY IN THE TOWN INCLUDED A BREWERY, SHOE FACTORY, AND THE FIRST POWDER MILL AND SAW MILL IN THE REGION.

NOW, THEREFORE, THIS 22nd DAY OF JUNE, 2017, THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONGRATULATES THE BOROUGH OF BEAVER MEADOWS ON THE TREMENDOUS HISTORY OF ITS ORIGIN, COMMENDS CURRENT BOROUGH OFFICIALS ON THE TOWN’S 230th ANNIVERSARY OF ITS FOUNDING; ADOPTS THIS RESOLUTION AS A MEANS OF DOCUMENTING THE TOWN’S SUCCESSFUL PAST; AND WISHES THE COMMUNITY AN EVEN MORE SUCCESSFUL FUTURE.

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: GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

#17-252 EAGLE SCOUT/RODGERS:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING NOAH E. RODGERS, MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 555, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA:
RESOLUTION #17-024
EAGLE SCOUT/NOAH E. RODGERS

WHEREAS, NOAH E. RODGERS OF JIM THORPE HAS SUCCEEDED IN ACHIEVING SCOUTING’S HIGHEST HONOR, THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT; AND

WHEREAS, NOAH E. RODGERS IS A MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 555 IN JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA, AND HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN SCOUTING FOR 10 YEARS. DURING HIS SCOUTING CAREER, HE HAS EARNED 30 BADGES INCLUDING SWIMMING AND SMALL BOAT SAILING. NOAH HAS SERVED AS DEN CHIEF, PATROL LEADER, ASSISTANT SENIOR PATROL LEADER, AND SENIOR PATROL LEADER; AND

WHEREAS, NOAH E. RODGERS’S EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT WAS BUILDING TWO SHELVING UNITS IN THE BASEMENT OF ST. JOSEPH’S CHURCH IN JIM THORPE. ONE SHELF IS 3 FEET BY 24 FEET. THE OTHER SHELF IS 4 FEET BY 32 FEET. BOTH SHELVING UNITS ARE 45 INCHES HIGH. AN AISLE RUNS DOWN THE MIDDLE SO PEOPLE MAY WALK AND HAVE ENOUGH ROOM TO MOVE TOTES. THE PURPOSE OF THE SHELVES IS TO ORGANIZE THE CHURCH BASEMENT AND MAKE IT EASIER FOR PEOPLE TO FIND TOTES. THESE TOTES CONTAIN MATERIAL FOR THE DIFFERENT SEASONS CELEBRATED. NOAH SPENT 106 HOURS ON THIS PROJECT; AND

WHEREAS, NOAH E. RODGERS HAS DEVELOPED THE NECESSARY SKILLS AND DETERMINATION TO ACHIEVE AN HONOR HE WILL VALUE FOR A LIFETIME; AND

WHEREAS, NOAH E. RODGERS 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 NOAH E. RODGERS.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY HEREBY RECOGNIZES THE ACHIEVEMENT OF NOAH E. RODGERS AND HEREBY COMMENDS AND CONGRATULATES HIM IN ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT.

ADOPTED BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 22ND DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

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: GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

#17-253 ST JOHN'S BYZANTINE:
125TH ANNIVERSARY:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 125TH ANNIVERSARY OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN LANSFORD, PENNSYLVANIA:

RESOLUTION #17-025
125TH ANNIVERSARY/ST JOHN’S BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH, LANSFORD

WHEREAS, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH OF LANSFORD HAS SERVED GOD AND THE PEOPLE OF THE PANTHER VALLEY AND TAMAQUA AREAS SINCE 1892; AND

WHEREAS, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST BYZANTINE CATHOLIC CHURCH WAS FOUNDED TO SERVE THE SPIRITUAL NEEDS OF SLAVIC IMMIGRANTS WHO EMIGRATED FROM THE CARPATHIAN MOUNTAIN REGION OF THE FORMER Austro-Hungarian Empire in the years preceding World War I. THESE
IMMIGRANTS BEGAN DISCUSSION OF BUILDING A CHURCH AND THE CORNERSTONE FOR THE FIRST CHURCH WAS INSTALLED ON MAY 8, 1892; AND

WHEREAS, the original “GREEK CATHOLICS” as they were then called, hoped to make a better life for themselves and their families in the anthracite mines. These people founded the church to preserve their unique spiritual, liturgical, and cultural heritage; and

WHEREAS, since the inception of the parish, the members of St. John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Church have striven to faithfully worship God while simultaneously sharing their Byzantine Catholic traditions through active community outreach and service projects throughout the area; and

WHEREAS, the parish has remained a beacon of the Christian faith in the Panther Valley area for so many years, largely due to the spirited leadership of the many pastors who have served the church.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the members of the board of commissioners of Carbon County hereby recognize the 125th anniversary of Saint John the Baptist Byzantine Catholic Church and extend their congratulations to the parishioners on this joyous celebration.

ADOPTED BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 22ND DAY OF JUNE, 2017.

COUNTY OF CARBON
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: GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

COMMISSIONERS’ REPORTS:

COMMISSIONER GERHARD COMMENTED ON THE FOLLOWING:
- PROPOSED LEGISLATION, SENATE BILL 738 AND HOUSE BILL 1463, STATING THAT HE IS 100% IN FAVOR OF APPROVAL
- $12,088.00 CHECK FROM THE ESTATE OF CAROL E. KUEHNER WAS RECEIVED MAY 26TH.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD,

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED AT 10:53 A.M.

ELOISE K. AHNER, WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN
CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR