MARCH 15, 2018

THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENED THIS DATE AT 2:00 P.M. IN COURT ROOM #1, COURTHOUSE, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA, COMMEMORATING THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF CARBON COUNTY.

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, COURT ADMINISTRATOR, AND OTHER ELECTED OFFICIALS WERE ALSO PRESENT.

PRAYER:
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THE PRAYER WAS OFFERED BY PASTOR CLIFF ECKHART, BLUE MOUNTAIN COMMUNITY CHURCH, PALMERTON, PENNSYLVANIA.

STAR SPANGLED BANNER:

THE STAR SPANGLED BANNER WAS SUNG BY MYLEE ROSE HOUSER.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE WAS RECITED.

WELCOME:

THE HONORABLE STEVEN SERFASS, COMMON PLEAS COURT JUDGE, GAVE THE WELCOME.

HISTORY OF CARBON COUNTY:

COMMISSIONER WILLIAM J. O’GUREK GAVE THE HISTORY OF CARBON COUNTY NOTING THAT ON MARCH 13, 1843, PENNSYLVANIA GOVERNOR DAVID RITTENHOUSE PORTER SIGNED THE HISTORIC ACT WHICH MADE THE COUNTY OF CARBON A SEPARATE AND INDEPENDENT COUNTY, CARVED OUT OF SECTIONS OF NORTHAMPTON AND MONROE COUNTIES.

RECOGNITION:

COMMISSIONER TOM J. GERHARD ACKNOWLEDGED PAST AND PRESENT COUNTY OFFICIALS.

COUNTY OFFICIALS (CURRENT):

- SENIOR DISTRICT JUSTICE EDWARD LEWIS
- DISTRICT JUSTICE JOSEPH HOMANKO
- DISTRICT JUSTICE CASIMER KOSCIOLEK
- DISTRICT JUSTICE ERIC SCHRANTZ
- DISTRICT JUSTICE WILLIAM KISSNER
- CONTROLLER ROBERT CRAMPSIE
- TREASURER RONALD SHEEHAN
- RECORDER OF DEEDS EMMETT MCCALL
- DISTRICT ATTORNEY JEAN ENGLER
- PROTHONOTARY JOANN BEHRENS
- REGISTER OF WILLS/CLERK OF ORPHANS COURT JEAN PAPAY
- SHERIFF ANTHONY HARVILLA
- CLERK OF COURTS WILLIAM MCGINLEY
- PUBLIC DEFENDER GREGORY MOUSSEAU
- CORONER ROBERT MILLER

FORMER COUNTY OFFICIALS:

- DISTRICT JUSTICE IRENE HUDASKY
- COMMISSIONER CHARLES W. WILDONER
- COMMISSIONER TOM C. GERHARD
- COMMISSIONER CHARLES W. GETZ
- CONTROLLER JOHN R. WILLIAMS
DISTRICT ATTORNEY GARY DOBIAS
SHERIFF PETER P. HOHERCHAK
CORONER PHILLIP JEFFERIES

COMMISSIONER GERHARD ALSO RECOGNIZED THE LOCAL ELECTED OFFICIALS FROM THE BOROUGHS AND TOWNSHIPS WHO WERE IN ATTENDANCE.

COUNTY SONG:

THE BACH & HANDEL CHORALE, WITH DIRECTOR RANDALL PERRY, PERFORMED THE SONG CARBON COUNTY, WRITTEN IN 1993 BY JOHN SHARPE & LAVERNE MILLER FOR CARBON COUNTY’S SESQUICENTENNIAL.

TRIBUTE:

THE HONORABLE ROGER N. NANOVIC, PRESIDENT JUDGE, COMMON PLEAS COURT, DELIVERED A TRIBUTE TO CARBON COUNTY.

PRESENTATION OF RESOLUTIONS:

CHAIRMAN WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN READ A COMMENDATION LETTER RECEIVED FROM GOVERNOR TOM WOLF.

THE FOLLOWING PRESENTED RESOLUTIONS:

CONNOR COPORA, OFFICE OF SENATOR ROBERT CASEY
MARTA GABRIEL, OFFICE OF SENATOR PATRICK TOOMEY
WILLIAM HANLEY, OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN MATTHEW CARTWRIGHT
CONRAD FALVELLO, OFFICE OF CONGRESSMAN LOU BARLETTA
SENATOR JOHN YUDICHAK
REPRESENTATIVE DOYLE HEFFLEY
REPRESENTATIVE JERRY KNOWLES

ATTORNEY WILLIAM SCHWAB PRESENTED AN OFFICIAL COPY OF THE ACT OF 1843 ESTABLISHING THE COUNTY.

LITANY:

A LITANY FOR THE 175TH ANNIVERSARY OF CARBON COUNTY WAS LED BY THE HONORABLE JOSEPH MATIKA, COMMON PLEAS COURT JUDGE.

FURTHER BUSINESS:

APPRECIATION WAS EXTENDED TO THE FOLLOWING FOR THEIR ROLE IN THE CELEBRATION:

KEN LEFFLER
JOSEPH SEBELIN
CLIFF ECKHART
MYLEE ROSE HAUSER AND PARENTS
RANDALL PERRY & MEMBERS OF THE BACH & HANDEL CHORALE
KATHY LONG
THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD,

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED AT 3:15 P.M.

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