THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENE
ED THIS DATE AT 10:32 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONER’S MEETING ROOM, CARBON COUNTY ADMINI-
STRATION BUILDING, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA.

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

THE COUNTY CONTROLLER, COUNTY TREASURER, CHIEF ADULT PROBATION OFFICER, AND THE
COURT ADMINISTRATOR WERE ALSO PRESENT.

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. O’GUREK, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE
PREVIOUS MEETING HELD JULY 11, 2019.

BOARD POLLED:  O’GUREK  YES
GERHARD  YES
NOTHSTEIN  ABSTAIN*  

*DUE TO ABSENCE AT THE JULY 11, 2019 MEETING.

GUESTS: (CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS AS PER COUNTY POLICY #2012-01 GOV)

CHRIS LUKASEVICH, JIM THORPE  RE: COST OF PORTABLE TOILET/COUNTY STORAGE
FACILITY; WATER PROBLEM AT THE COUNTY
ANIMAL SHELTER; COMMISSIONER GERHARD’S
CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

JENNIFER DRATCH, CARBON COUNTY  RE: CHALLENGING LAWS/LACK OF LAWS FOR DOGS
“NO DOGS LEFT BEHIND”

MARGARET RUSH, LEHIGHTON  RE: LAWS NOT BEING ENFORCED BY STATE POLICE
“NO DOGS LEFT BEHIND”

PROCLAMATION:

#19-309  SUPERVISION WEEK:
MOTION BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, SECONDED BY MR. GERHARD, TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING PRETRIAL, PROBATION & PAROLE SUPERVISION WEEK:

PROCLAMATION #2019-11

PRETRIAL, PROBATION, AND PAROLE SUPERVISION WEEK

WHEREAS, COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE JUSTICE SYSTEM; AND

WHEREAS, COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROFESSIONALS UPHOLD THE LAW WITH DIGNITY, WHILE RECOGNIZING THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO BE SAFE-GUARDED FROM CRIMINAL ACTIVITY; AND

WHEREAS, COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROFESSIONALS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR SUPERVISING ADULT AND JUVENILE OFFENDERS IN THE COMMUNITY; AND

WHEREAS, COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROFESSIONALS ARE TRAINED PROFESSIONALS WHO PROVIDE SERVICES AND REFERRALS FOR OFFENDERS; AND

WHEREAS, COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROFESSIONALS WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH COMMUNITY AGENCIES AND GROUPS; AND

WHEREAS, COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROFESSIONALS PROMOTE PREVENTION, INTERVENTION AND ADVOCACY; AND

WHEREAS, COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROFESSIONALS PROVIDE SERVICES, SUPPORT, AND PROTECTION FOR VICTIMS; AND

WHEREAS, COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROFESSIONALS ADVOCATE COMMUNITY AND RESTORATIVE JUSTICE; AND

WHEREAS, COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROFESSIONALS ARE A TRUE FORCE FOR POSITIVE CHANGE IN THEIR COMMUNITIES.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF JULY 21-27, 2019 AS:

PRETRIAL, PROBATION, AND PAROLE SUPERVISION WEEK

AND ENCOURAGE ALL CITIZENS OF CARBON COUNTY TO HONOR THESE COMMUNITY CORRECTIONS PROFESSIONALS AND TO RECOGNIZE THEIR ACHIEVEMENTS.

ADOPTED BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 18TH DAY OF JULY, 2019.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CARBON

/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

RICHMOND PARSONS, CARBON COUNTY CHIEF ADULT PROBATION OFFICER, ON BEHALF OF BOTH ADULT PROBATION AND JUVENILE PROBATION THANKED THE COMMISSIONERS FOR RECOGNIZING SUPERVISION WEEK AND GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE INCREASED CASELOADS.

THE COMMISSIONERS PRESENTED THE PROCLAMATION TO MR. PARSONS AND THANKED HIM AND HIS STAFF FOR DOING THE GREAT JOB THEY DO.

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 JULY 18, 2019.

BOARD POLLED: O’GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS:

THERE WERE NO SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS.

EXPENDITURE APPROVAL:

GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT:

APPROVAL OF CHECK NUMBERS 207180 THROUGH 207301 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

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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 BECAUSE I AM A PART-TIME EMPLOYEE OF THE TIMES NEWS WHICH IS A SISTER COMPANY OF PENTELEDATA, AND BLUE RIDGE COMMUNICATIONS.”

ETHICS COMMISSION COMPLIANCE:

COMMISSIONER O’GUREK PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDUM STATING HIS POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH PENCOR RELATED COMPANIES AS PER THE ADVICE OF THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION:

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

TREASURER’S REPORT:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O’GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER’S REPORT DATED JULY 8 TO JULY 12, 2019 REPORTING BALANCES AS FOLLOWS:

**BALANCES AS OF JULY 12, 2019:**

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CENTRALIZED BOOKING FUND $ 139,373.91
VICTIM/WITNESS FUND $ 11,351.56
RECORD OF DEEDS IMPROVEMENT FUND $ 33,435.51
COUNTY RECORDS IMPROVEMENTS FUND $ 7,907.72
JUVENILE SUPERVISION FEE FUND $ 39,905.88
COMMUNITY SERVICE FEE FUND $ 9,154.35
PROTHONOTARY AUTOMATION FUND $ 83,494.80
AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND $ 314,064.29
CLERK OF COURTS AUTOMATION FUND $ 3,014.50
REGISTER OF WILLS AUTOMATION FUND $ 11,790.53
JUVENILE ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND $ 6,198.29
VITAL STATS IMPROVEMENT FUND $ 55,360.80
SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION $ 155,941.07
LIQUID FUELS/ACT 44 $ 484,385.03
HIGHWAY BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT ACT 13 $ 525,683.53
VICTIMS SERVICES FUND $ 54,913.22
HOTEL ROOM EXCISE TAX FUND $ 5,378.52
CDBG FUND $ 9.89
DEBT SERVICE FUND $ 1,164,263.10
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND $ 16,658,891.15
FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND $ 526,893.25
PAYROLL FUND $ 8,815.37
TAX CLAIM FUND $ 519,015.71

BOARD POLLED:  O’GUREK  YES
GERHARD  YES
NOTHSTEIN  YES

PERSONNEL REPORT:

HIRE:

SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUEST:

EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
MARK NALESNIK
SHELLEY SNYDER
PEMA EASTERN AREA IN-SERVICE TRAINING
READING, PA

COURTS SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUEST ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

ADULT PROBATION
APRIL GOOD
MICHAEL JORDA
97th BASIC FIREARMS TRAINING ACADEMY
HARRISBURG, PA
RANGE INSTRUCTION
ANNVILLE, PA
COST: LODGING, MEALS

JUVENILE PROBATION
KIMMY MULIK
JANEXLE ONDRUS
CASE PLAN FORUM WORKSHOP
STATE COLLEGE, PA
COST: TRAINING FEE $30.00 PER PERSON, MEALS

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O’GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PERSONNEL REPORT DATED JULY 18, 2019.

BOARD POLLED: O’GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

CORRESPONDENCE:

MINUTES RECEIVED: JUNE 18, 2019 MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION.

THE BRIDGE CREW REPORTS FOR THE WEEK ENDING JULY 5, 2019 WERE SUBMITTED BY JENNIFER BOGER, SECRETARY III.

THE JUNE 2019 MONTHLY REPORT WAS RECEIVED FROM THE CARBON COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS.

A COMMUNICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (PEMA) REGARDING REVIEW OF CARBON COUNTY’S COMBINED REPORT FOR THE 1/01/2018 – 12/31/18 FUNDING PERIOD.

A LETTER OF APPRECIATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THOMAS G. LAGER, RACE COORDINATOR, ON BEHALF OF ST. MARK’S AND ST. JOHN’S EPISCOPAL CHURCH, THANKING THE COMMISSIONERS’ OFFICE AND STAFF, ALONG WITH THE PARKS/RECREATION DIRECTOR AND STAFF FOR THEIR EXCELLENT COOPERATION IN REGARDS TO THE FOURTEENTH ANNUAL RACE STREET RUN.

TRAFFIC SAFETY NEWSLETTER WAS RECEIVED FROM THE HIGHWAY SAFETY NETWORK WITH INFORMATION AND EVENTS.

ADULT PROBATION:

#19-310 GRANT IN AID:


MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O’GUREK, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE 2019/2020 APPLICATION/AGREEMENT.

BOARD POLLED: O’GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

ADVERTISING REQUEST:

#19-311 CDBG/BIDS:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O’GUREK, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR INVITATION TO BID FOR THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECTS:
JULY 18, 2019

SUMMIT HILL BOROUGH: PARKS & RECREATION – GINDER FIELD REHABILITATION
(FY 2016 & FY 2017)

FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP: WATER/SEWER IMPROVEMENTS RED HILL ROAD PHASE 1
(FY 2015 & FY 2016)

BOARD POLLED: O’GUREK ABSTAIN*
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

* MR. O’GUREK STATED, “I ABSTAIN SINCE I AM A PART-TIME
EMPLOYEE OF THE TIMES NEWS WHERE THE ADVERTISEMENT
WILL BE PUBLISHED”

#19-312 SALARY BOARD:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O’GUREK, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF A
SPECIAL SALARY BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD THURSDAY, JULY 25, 2019 AT RECESS OF THE
COMMISSIONERS MEETING BEGINNING AT 10:30 A.M.

BOARD POLLED: O’GUREK ABSTAIN*
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

* MR. O’GUREK STATED, “I ABSTAIN SINCE I AM A PART-TIME
EMPLOYEE OF THE TIMES NEWS WHERE THE ADVERTISEMENT
WILL BE PUBLISHED”

BID AWARD:

#19-313 FOOD SERVICE/CCC:

A RECOMMENDATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THE WARDEN AND PURCHASING MANAGER TO REJECT
ALL BIDS RECEIVED FOR FOOD SERVICE AT THE CARBON COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O’GUREK, TO REJECT THE BIDS FOR FOOD SERVICE.

BOARD POLLED: O’GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

#19-314 READVERTISE/FOOD SERVICE/CCC:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O’GUREK, TO AUTHORIZE TO RE-ADVERTISE FOR THE
INVITATION TO BID FOR FOOD SERVICE AT THE CARBON COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.

BOARD POLLED: O’GUREK ABSTAIN*
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

* MR. O’GUREK STATED, “I ABSTAIN SINCE I AM A PART-TIME
EMPLOYEE OF THE TIMES NEWS WHERE THE ADVERTISEMENT
WILL BE PUBLISHED”
**CCCT/LANTA:**

**MATP PROGRAM:**

#19-315 FY 2019/2020 ALLOCATION:


BOARD POLLED: O’GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

**INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY:**

#19-316 PENTELEDATA/AGREEMENT:

A REQUEST WAS RECEIVED FROM THE DIRECTOR OF INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (IT) FOR APPROVAL OF A THREE-YEAR AGREEMENT (#1572756) WITH PENTELEDATA FOR TWO (2) CABLE TELECOMM MODEMS (76 SUSQUEHANNA STREET AND 4 BROADWAY) TO BE USED TO CARRY VOICE SIGNAL.

THE MONTHLY COST SHALL BE $67.96/EACH. BOTH $149.95 SET-UP FEE AND $88.00 INSTALL FEE WAIVED.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O’GUREK, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT.

BOARD POLLED: O’GUREK ABSTAIN* GERHARD YES NOTHSTEIN YES

* MR. O’GUREK STATED, “I ABSTAIN BECAUSE I AM A PART-TIME EMPLOYEE OF THE TIMES NEWS WHICH IS A SISTER COMPANY OF PENTELEDATA”

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:**

#19-317 CDBG 2014 COMPLETION EXTENSION:

A REQUEST WAS RECEIVED FROM THE OFFICE OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT FOR APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF A PROJECT ACTIVITY COMPLETION EXTENSION REQUEST TO THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR EXTENSION OF THE COMPLETION DATE FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FFY 2014 CONTRACT #C000061823, PACKER TOWNSHIP – JOE ANDRUZZI PARK FROM 06/30/19 TO 12/31/19.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O’GUREK, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE EXTENSION REQUEST.

BOARD POLLED: O’GUREK YES GERHARD YES NOTHSTEIN YES

#19-318 CDBG/2015 COMPLETION EXTENSIONS:

A REQUEST WAS RECEIVED FROM THE OFFICE OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT FOR APPROVAL AND EXECUTION OF PROJECT ACTIVITY COMPLETION EXTENSION REQUESTS TO THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR EXTENSIONS OF COMPLETION DATES FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECTS, COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FFY 2015 CONTRACT
LEHIghton Borough - Baer Memorial Pool - From 07/26/19 to 10/01/19
Franklin Township – Water Improvements/Red Hill Road from 07/26/19 to 11/29/19
Palmerton Borough - Street Improvements/Princeton Avenue from 07/26/19 to 11/01/19

Motion by Mr. Gerhard, seconded by Mr. O’Gurek, to approve and authorize execution of the extension requests.

Board Polled:
O’Gurek Yes
Gerhard Yes
Notestein Yes

Insurance:
#19-319 Harie Grant:

Motion by Mr. Gerhard, seconded by Mr. O’Gurek, to approve and authorize execution and submission of an application to the Housing & Redevelopment Insurance Exchange (HARIE), the county’s workers compensation carrier, for up to $15,000 in available safety improvement grant funds to use toward replacing the intercom system at the Carbon County Correctional Facility (CCCF).

Board Polled:
O’Gurek Yes
Gerhard Yes
Notestein Yes

Solicitor’s Report:
Farmland Preservation:
#19-320 Appraisal/Rex Farm:

A request was received from the Office of Planning & Development for approval of a proposal submitted by Andress Appraisals for appraisal services for the David Rex farm for the Farmland Preservation Program. Total estimate: $2,500.

Motion by Mr. Gerhard, seconded by Mr. O’Gurek, to accept the proposal from Andress Appraisals.

Board Polled:
O’Gurek Yes
Gerhard Yes
Notestein Yes

Parks/Recreation:
#19-321 Banner Requests:

Banner requests were submitted for the following:

Carbon County Fair Association
Carbon County Fair, August 5-10, 2019
Banner Request: 7/20/19 to 8/13/19

Men of Marian
Summer Picnic, July 26-28, 2019
Banner Request: 7/19/19 to 7/29/19

Motion by Mr. Gerhard, seconded by Mr. O’Gurek, to approve and authorize execution of the banner requests as submitted.
RESOLUTION:

#19-322  EAGLE SCOUT/WIDDICOMBE:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O’GUREK, TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION HONORING, MATTHEW WIDDICOMBE, MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 555, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA, ON ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT:

RESOLUTION #19-024  EAGLE SCOUT/MATTHEW P. WIDDICOMBE

WHEREAS, MATTHEW P. WIDDICOMBE OF JIM THORPE HAS SUCCEEDED IN ACHIEVING SCOUTING’S HIGHEST HONOR, THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT; AND

WHEREAS, MATTHEW P. WIDDICOMBE IS A MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 555 IN JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA, AND HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN SCOUTING FOR 13 YEARS. DURING HIS SCOUTING CAREER, HE HAS EARNED 30 BADGES INCLUDING COOKING, WILDERNESS SURVIVAL, FORESTRY, AND ARCHERY; AND HAS SERVED AS PATROL LEADER AND SCRIBE; AND

WHEREAS, MATTHEW P. WIDDICOMBE’S EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT WAS THE EBENEZER EVANGELICAL CHURCH BEAUTIFICATION. MATTHEW REMOVED AN OLD HAZARDOUS RETAINING WALL AND REPLACED THE OLD WALL WITH A STURDY STONE WALL. HE ALSO REMOVED A STAIRCASE MADE OF OLD RAILROAD TIRES. THE STEPS WERE REPLACED WITH PRESSURE TREATED DECK STAIR TREAD. MATTHEW SPENT 216 HOURS ON THIS PROJECT; AND

WHEREAS, MATTHEW P. WIDDICOMBE HAS DEVELOPED THE NECESSARY SKILLS AND DETERMINATION TO ACHIEVE AN HONOR HE WILL VALUE FOR A LIFETIME; AND

WHEREAS, MATTHEW P. WIDDICOMBE 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 MATTHEW P. WIDDICOMBE.

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

ADOPTED BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 18TH DAY OF JUNE, 2019.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CARBON

/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 NOTHSTEIN COMMENTED ON THE SECOND VETERAN COURT GRADUATION WHICH WAS HELD LAST NIGHT WITH THREE (3) GRADUATES WHO HAVE BEEN IN THE PROGRAM FOR TWO (2) YEARS AND COMPLETED 500 DAYS OF SOBRIETY. HE NOTED THAT THREE (3) GRADUATED IN DECEMBER, 2018 AND HAVE NOW COMPLETED THEIR 6-MONTH AFTER CARE.

RICK PARSONS, CHIEF ADULT PROBATION OFFICER, COMMENTED SAYING IT IS A GREAT PROGRAM WITH A GREAT SUCCESS RATE. HE ADDED THAT THERE ARE CURRENTLY NINE (9) INDIVIDUALS IN
VETERANS COURT AND TWENTY-EIGHT (28) ACTIVE PARTICIPANTS IN DRUG COURT.

THE CHAIRMAN ALSO NOTED THAT EXTREMELY HIGH TEMPERATURES ARE ANTICIPATED FOR THIS WEEKEND AND ADVISED THAT PEOPLE SHOULD TAKE NECESSARY PRECAUTIONS.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD,

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED AT 10:55 A.M.

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