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

PRESENT WERE COMMISSIONERS NOTHSTEIN, LUKASEVICH, AND AHNER, CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ELOISE AHNER, SOLICITOR MISCALIGE, AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY JEN BOGER. THE COUNTY CONTROLLER, COUNTY TREASURER, AND COUNTY SHERIFF 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. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD MARCH 12, 2020.

BOARD POLLED:  AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

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

THERE WERE NO GUESTS CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS.

RESOLUTION:

#20-146  2020 CENSUS:

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO ADOPT THE RESOLUTION REGARDING THE 2020 CENSUS.

WHEREAS, THE U.S. CENSUS IS MANDATED BY THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION EVERY 10 YEARS; AND

WHEREAS, CENSUS DATA IS USED TO DISTRIBUTE CONGRESSIONAL SEATS TO STATES; AND
WHEREAS, CARBON COUNTY LEVERAGES CENSUS DATA TO DETERMINE NEEDS FOR ADDITIONAL SOCIAL SERVICES AND IDENTIFYING ENTITLEMENT AREAS FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANTS; AND

WHEREAS, THE CENSUS BUREAU HAS A GOAL TO HIRE 200 CARBON COUNTY RESIDENTS TO CONDUCT CENSUS 2020 ACTIVITIES; AND

WHEREAS, GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY CALCULATED THAT IN 2015, PENNSYLVANIA RECEIVED $2,093 PER CAPITA IN FEDERAL GRANTS; AND

WHEREAS, BETWEEN THE 2000 CENSUS AND THE 2010 CENSUS CARBON COUNTY RESIDENT PARTICIPATION DROPPED FROM 81% TO 70%; AND

WHEREAS, THE 2010 CENSUS CARBON COUNTY SELF-RESPONSE RATE (68.3%) WAS 3.1% BELOW THE STATE AVERAGE (72.1%); AND

WHEREAS, A 1% UNDERCOUNTER COULD COST CARBON COUNTY OVER $13.4 MILLION IN FEDERAL AID OVER THE NEXT 10 YEARS; AND

WHEREAS, THE GOVERNMENT OF CARBON COUNTY IS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT; AND

WHEREAS, THE COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENT HAS A COMPLETE COUNT COMMITTEE TO INCREASE PARTICIPATION IN THE 2020 CENSUS; AND

WHEREAS, THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WILL USE ITS INFLUENCE TO CONVEY THE IMPORTANCE OF THE CENSUS, PARTICULARLY TO COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN ECONOMICALLY, AND RESOURCE-CHALLENGED AREAS.

NOW THEREFORE, THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THEIR SUPPORT AND COOPERATION IN PROMOTING AWARENESS OF AND PARTICIPATION IN THE 2020 CENSUS.

ADOPTED BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 19TH DAY OF MARCH, 2020.

CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/S/ WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN
/S/ ROCKY C. AHNER, VICE-CHAIRMAN
/S/ CHRIS L. LUKASEVICH, MEMBER

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

MR. LUKASEVICH REMINDED THE PUBLIC REGARDING MAIL DOCUMENTS THEY WILL BE RECEIVING FROM THE CENSUS BUREAU TO COMPLETE THE 2020 CENSUS SURVEY ONLINE OR ON THE PHONE.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

OPENING OF BIDS:
#20-147 CDBG PROJECTS:
PALMERTON BOROUGH:

THE FOLLOWING BIDS WERE RECEIVED FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECT - PALMERTON BOROUGH: STREET IMPROVEMENTS - RECONSTRUCT- NORTH MAUCH CHUNK ROAD (FY2018):
FRANZOSA TRUCKING COMPANY INC.  
1037 PEACE STREET  
HAZLETON, PA 18202  

BID: $68,475.00  
BOND: 10%

BARKER & BARKER PAVING & EXCAVATING  
GRAVER INDUSTRIES INC.  
910 14TH AVENUE  
BETHLEHEM, PA 18018  

BID: $66,460.00  
BOND: 10%

LEHIGH ASPHALT PAVING & CONSTRUCTION, CO.  
P.O. BOX 549  
TAMAQUA, PA 18252  

BID: $89,895.50  
BOND: 10%

BRACALENTE CONSTRUCTION, INC.  
700 SAVAGE ROAD, SUITE 15  
NORTHAMPTON, PA 18067  

BID: $84,680.00  
BOND: 10%

HAZLETON SITE CONTRACTORS,  
DIVISION OF H & K GROUP, INC.  
40 ELM ROAD  
HAZLETON, PA 18202  

BID: $85,927.05  
BOND: 10%

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO TABLE THE BIDS AND REFER THEM TO THE OFFICE OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT FOR REVIEW WITH A RECOMMENDATION OF EITHER AWARD OF A CONTRACT OR REJECTION OF THE BIDS IN TWO (2) WEEKS.

BOARD POLLED:  
AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

SUMMIT HILL BOROUGH:


STONEY LONESOME EXCAVATING  
225 EAST LUDLOW STREET  
SUMMIT HILL, PA 18250  

BID: $134,340.00  
BOND: 10%

APM CONSTRUCTION INC.  
109 EAST BERTSCH STREET  
LANSFORD, PA 18232  

BID: $105,650.00  
BOND: 10%

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO TABLE THE BIDS AND REFER THEM TO THE OFFICE OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT FOR REVIEW WITH A RECOMMENDATION OF EITHER AWARD OF A CONTRACT OR REJECTION OF THE BIDS IN TWO (2) WEEKS.

BOARD POLLED:  
AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

STONEY LONESOME EXCAVATING
225 EAST LUDLOW STREET
SUMMIT HILL, PA 18250
BID: $89,393.00
BOND: 10% CASHIER’S CHECK

BRUCE GEORGE PAVING & EXCAVATING, INC.
843 KUEHNIR DRIVE
KUNKLETOWN, PA 18058
BID: $117,106.60
BOND: 10%

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO TABLE THE BIDS AND REFER THEM TO THE OFFICE OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT FOR REVIEW WITH A RECOMMENDATION OF EITHER AWARD OF A CONTRACT OR REJECTION OF THE BIDS IN TWO (2) WEEKS.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

EAST SIDE BOROUGH:

THE FOLLOWING BIDS WERE RECEIVED FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECT – EAST SIDE BOROUGH: STREET IMPROVEMENTS - BRIDGE STREET- SWALE & GRADE SYSTEM (FY2018):

FRANZOSA TRUCKING COMPANY INC.
1037 PEACE STREET
HAZLETON, PA 18202
BID: $132,825.00
BOND: 10%

SCHUYLKILL PAVING INC.
285 BLUE MOUNTAIN ROAD
SCHUYLKILL HAVEN, PA 17972
BID: $155,870.00
BOND: 10%

PAPILLON & MOYER
186 MURPHY RUN
STROUDSBURG, PA 18360
BID: $167,027.90
BOND: 10%

BARLETTA MATERIALS & CONSTRUCTION, INC.
P.O. BOX 550
TAMAQUA, PA 18252
BID: $104,822.50
ALT #1: $24,580.00
ALT #2: $17,156.25
ALT #3: $17,156.25

HAZLETON SITE CONTRACTORS,
DIVISION OF H & K GROUP, INC.
40 ELM ROAD
HAZLETON, PA 18202
BID: $314,459.40
BOND: 10%

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO TABLE THE BIDS AND REFER THEM TO THE OFFICE OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT FOR REVIEW WITH A RECOMMENDATION OF EITHER AWARD OF A CONTRACT OR REJECTION OF THE BIDS IN TWO (2) WEEKS.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES
NOTHSTEIN YES
EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:

THE CHAIRMAN REPORTED THAT THE FOLLOWING EXECUTIVE SESSION WAS HELD:

MARCH 17, 2020 1:00 P.M. PERSONNEL REASONS

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:
CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR:

BUDGET TRANSFERS (2019 & 2020):

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE THE BUDGET TRANSFERS FOR 2019 AND 2020 ON TRANSMITTALS DATED MARCH 19, 2020.

BOARD POLLED:  AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS:

THERE WERE NO SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS.

EXPENDITURE APPROVAL:

PAYROLL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT:

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL CHECK NUMBERS 72245 THROUGH 72277 AND DIRECT DEPOSIT CHECK NUMBERS 6017833 THROUGH 6018240 FOR PAYROLL PAID THROUGH THE PAYROLL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT FOR ALL COUNTY FUNDS TOTALING $545,107.55 (PAYROLL DATED MARCH 13, 2020).

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO RATIFY PAYMENT OF THE PAYROLL CHECKS AS LISTED ABOVE.

BOARD POLLED:  AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT:

APPROVAL OF CHECK NUMBERS 212114 THROUGH 212266 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

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CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND $ 40,000.00
FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND $ 778.07
TAX CLAIM FUND $ 1,232.23
TOTAL: $ 463,490.70

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

BOARD POLLED:
AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

TREASURER’S REPORT:

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER’S REPORT DATED MARCH 9, 2020 TO MARCH 13, 2020 REPORTING BALANCES AS FOLLOWS:

BALANCES AS OF MARCH 13, 2020:

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PERSONNEL REPORT:

EMPLOYMENT SEPARATION:
TAMEAR R. HENEGAIN-HAASE, DRUMS, PA – PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS –
EFFECTIVE MARCH 18, 2020.

CHANGE OF STATUS:
FERNANDO VARGAS, HAZLETON, PA
FROM: CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS
TO: SERGEANT, CORRECTIONS
EFFECTIVE: APRIL 6, 2020

SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUESTS:
TAX ASSESSMENT
KIM A. STEIGERWALT
PAMELA M. BAUCHSPIES
ASSESSORS’ ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA 72ND ANNUAL CONFERENCE ON ASSESSMENT
ADMINISTRATION
GRANTVILLE, PA
COST: CONFERENCE FEE $515 PER PERSON, LODGING, MEALS

KIM A. STEIGERWALT
PAMELA M. BAUCHSPIES
LEWIS GULLONE
ASSESSMENT ADMINISTRATION BASIC
LEHIGHTON, PA
COST: CONFERENCE FEE: $30 PER PERSON

WORKFORCE INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY ACT
SUSAN RHOADS-PROCINA
PENNSYLVANIA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION 36TH ANNUAL CONFERENCE
HERSHEY, PA
COST: CONFERENCE FEE $425, LODGING, MEALS, MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO ACCEPT THE PERSONNEL REPORT

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES
NOTHSTEIN YES
CORRESPONDENCE:


THE 2019 YEAR-END REPORT WAS RECEIVED FROM THE CARBON COUNTY CORONER.

CCCT/LANTA:

#20-148 CERTIFICATIONS/ASSURANCES:

ACCEPTANCE OF FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2020 CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES FOR FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICI, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE THE EXECUTION OF THE ACCEPTANCE OF FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2020 CERTIFICATIONS AND ASSURANCES FOR FEDERAL TRANSIT ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICIYES
NOTHSTEIN YES

COMMUNICATIONS/911

#20-149 AGREEMENT/CONSORTECH:

A REQUEST WAS RECEIVED FROM THE 9-1-1 DIRECTOR FOR AN AGREEMENT WITH CONSORTECH SOLUTIONS INC., BROSSARD, OF CANADA, TO PURCHASE (2) TWO LICENSES FME ETL SOFTWARE AT A COST OF $6,700.00 AND (50) FIFTY HOURS OF COACHING PER LICENSES FOR (100) HUNDRED HOURS AT A COST OF $15,000. TOTAL COST: $21,700.00
* APPROVED THROUGH THE STATEWIDE INTERCONNECTIVITY PROJECT FOR CARBON COUNTY 911 GIS DATA DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (#3120190003).

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICI, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH CONSORTECH SOLUTIONS INC.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICIYES
NOTHSTEIN YES

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:

HOME PROGRAM:

#20-150 CHANGE ORDER:

A CHANGE ORDER WAS RECEIVED FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT FOR APPROVAL TO THE FOLLOWING CONTRACT WITH MAZZELLA ENTERPRISES, INC., JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA FOR THE FOLLOWING HOME REHABILITATION CONTRACT:

#JM 138-15-137: ORIGINAL PLUMBING CONTRACT PRICE: $1,200.00
(THIS PORTION OF CONTRACT WAS PAID ALREADY)

CHANGE ORDER (INCREASE/ADDITIONS): $750.00
ADDITION – AFTER WATER HEATER INSTALLED – EXCESS PRESSURE EXISTED – NEED TO REPLACE FAULTY PRESSURE REGULATOR AT THE MAIN.
NEW PLUMBING CONTRACT PRICE: $1,950.00

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE CHANGE ORDER TO THE AGREEMENT WITH MAZZIELLA ENTERPRISES, INC., FOR THE HOME REHABILITATION PROGRAM

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
             LUKASEVICH YES
             NOTHSTEIN YES

SERVICE AGREEMENT:
#20-151 STENOGRAPH LLC/COURTS:

STENOGRAPH WRITER PROTECTION PLANS FOR TWO (2) DIAMANTE STENO MACHINES
(SERIAL #Z14559 AND #Z14561) LOCATED IN COURTROOMS #2 AND #3 FOR THE TERM 4/08/20 TO 4/07/21
(RENEWAL CONTRACT #MQ112841, PROTECTION PLAN – BASIC WITH LOANER) AT THE COST OF
$499.00/EACH ($110.00 INCREASE).

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION
OF THE AGREEMENT WITH STENOGRAPH WRITER PROTECTION PLANS.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
             LUKASEVICH YES
             NOTHSTEIN YES

V. SOLICITOR’S REPORT:
#20-152 BANNER REQUEST:

A BANNER REQUEST WAS SUBMITTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

81ST PA COMPANY K CIVIL WAR RE-ENACTORS, JIM THORPE, PA
CIVIL WAR WEEKEND, MAY 2 & 3, 2020
(BANNER: APRIL 17 – MAY 4, 2020)

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION
OF THE BANNER PERMIT.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
             LUKASEVICH YES
             NOTHSTEIN YES

DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY:
#20-153 RESOLUTION/DECLARATION:

DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY DUE TO CORONAVIRUS DISEASE – 2019

DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY
FOR THE COUNTY OF CARBON, PENNSYLVANIA

WHEREAS, A NOVEL CORONAVIRUS (NOW KNOWN AS “SARS COV-2”) EMERGED IN WUHAN, CHINA,
BEGAN INFECTING HUMANS IN DECEMBER 2019, AND HAS SINCE SPREAD THROUGHOUT THE WORLD,
INCLUDING THE UNITED STATES; AND

WHEREAS, SARS COV-2 IS KNOWN TO HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO CAUSE CORONAVIRUS DISEASE-2019
MARCH 19, 2020

(COVID-19) IN HUMANS; AND


WHEREAS, ON MARCH 11, 2020, THE WORLD HEALTH ORGANIZATION DECLARED COVID-19 A PANDEMIC; AND


WHEREAS, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT MEASURES ARE REQUIRED TO REDUCE THE SEVERITY OF THIS DISASTER AND TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF AFFECTED RESIDENTS IN CARBON COUNTY; AND

WHEREAS, SECTION 7501 OF THE PENNSYLVANIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT SERVICES CODE (35 PA. C.S. § 7501) AUTHORIZES CARBON COUNTY TO DECLARE A DISASTER EMERGENCY UPON THE FINDING A DISASTER HAS OCCURRED OR IS IMMINENT; AND


FURTHER, THE COMMISSIONERS DIRECT THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AND THE COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT COORDINATOR TO COORDINATE THE COUNTY’S ACTIVITIES OF THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE, TO WORK WITH STATE AND FEDERAL AUTHORITIES, TO TAKE ALL APPROPRIATE ACTION NEEDED TO ALLEVIATE THE EFFECTS OF THIS IMMINENT DISASTER, TO AID IN THE RESTORATION OF ESSENTIAL PUBLIC SERVICES, AND TO TAKE ANY OTHER EMERGENCY RESPONSE ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY TO RESPOND TO THIS EMERGENCY.


THIS DECLARATION SHALL TAKE EFFECT IMMEDIATELY.

CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/S/ WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN
/S/ ROCKY C. AHNER, VICE-CHAIRMAN
/S/ CHRIS L. LUKASEVICH, MEMBER

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

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO RATIFY THE RESOLUTION FOR THE DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY DUE TO CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19).

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

MOTION BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO EXTEND THE RESOLUTION FOR THE DECLARATION OF DISASTER EMERGENCY DUE TO CORONAVIRUS DISEASE 2019 (COVID-19) ANOTHER (7) SEVEN DAYS.

*THIS DECLARATION WILL BE ASSESSED WEEKLY UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

PROCLAMATION:

#20-154 PA 4-H WEEK:

PROCLAMATION ACKNOWLEDGING MARCH 15 - 21, 2020 AS “PENNSYLVANIA 4-H WEEK”

“4-H WEEK”
MARCH 15 – 21, 2020

WHEREAS, THE YOUTH OF CARBON COUNTY IS ONE OF THE COUNTY’S MOST VALUABLE RESOURCES; AND

WHEREAS, 4-H MEMBERS CONTRIBUTE TO ENVIRONMENTAL IMPROVEMENT, COMMUNITY SERVICE, FOOD PRODUCTION AND PARTICIPATE IN PROGRAMS THAT AID IN YOUTH DEVELOPMENT, HEALTH, NUTRITION, HOME IMPROVEMENT AND FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS; AND

WHEREAS, AS A RESULT OF INTERNATIONAL COOPERATION WITH MANY COUNTRIES, 4-H IS ALSO CONTRIBUTING TO WORLD UNDERSTANDING; AND

WHEREAS, IN THE PROCESS, 4-H YOUTH APPLY LEADERSHIP SKILLS, ACQUIRE A POSITIVE SELF-CONCEPT AND LEARN TO RESPECT AND GET ALONG WITH PEOPLE; AND

WHEREAS, THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA THE WEEK OF MARCH 15 THROUGH MARCH 21 HAS BEEN PROCLAIMED “4-H WEEK IN PENNSYLVANIA”.

NOW, THEREFORE, THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF MARCH 15-21, 2020 AS “4-H WEEK IN CARBON COUNTY” AND URGE ALL CITIZENS TO GIVE RECOGNITION TO THE PEOPLE INVOLVED IN THE 4-H PROGRAM.

MARCH 19, 2020

CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
/S/ WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN
/S/ ROCKY C. AHNER, VICE-CHAIRMAN
/S/ CHRIS L. LUKASEVICH, MEMBER

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

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED MR. AHNER, TO ADOPT THE PROCLAMATION
ACKNOWLEDGING PENNSYLVANIA 4-H WEEK.

BOARD POLLED:  AHNER  YES
LUKASEVICH  YES
NOTHSTEIN  YES

PA 811 SAFE DIGGING MONTH:

#20-155 PROCLAMATION:

PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2020 AS “PENNSYLVANIA 811 SAFE DIGGING MONTH”

CALL 811 BEFORE YOU DIG IN CARBON COUNTY
DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF APRIL 2020 AS “PENNSYLVANIA 811 SAFE DIGGING MONTH”

WHEREAS, AS ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS, EXCAVATORS AND HOMEOWNERS WORK TO KEEP PACE WITH THIS COMMONWEALTH’S UNPRECEDENTED ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, IT IS IMPORTANT TO MINIMIZE DAMAGE TO UNDERGROUND UTILITY LINES, DANGER TO WORKERS, ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION AND LOSS OF UTILITY SERVICE TO PENNSYLVANIA CITIZENS; AND

WHEREAS, THE PENNSYLVANIA ONE CALL SYSTEM, A UTILITY SERVICE INFORMATION CENTER CELEBRATING ITS 48TH YEAR OF CONTINUOUS SERVICE TO THE COMMONWEALTH, IS KEY TO PREVENTING INJURIES AND DAMAGE WHEN EXCAVATING; AND

WHEREAS, THIS UNIQUE SERVICE PROVIDES EASY TO USE, ONE-CALL NOTIFICATION ABOUT EXCAVATION PROJECTS WHICH MAY ENDANGER WORKERS AND JEOPARDIZE UTILITY LINES WHILE PROMOTING WORKPLACE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, REDUCING UNDERGROUND UTILITY DAMAGE, MINIMIZING UTILITY SERVICE INTERRUPTIONS AND PROTECTING THE ENVIRONMENT; AND

WHEREAS, THIS VITAL SERVICE, WHICH BEGAN WITH ONLY SIX UTILITY COMPANIES IN WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA, NOW SERVES MORE THAN 100,000 EXCAVATORS AND OVER 3,600 CRITICAL UNDERGROUND INFRASTRUCTURE OWNERS THROUGHOUT THIS COMMONWEALTH; AND

WHEREAS, THE SERVICE ANNUALLY RECEIVES MORE THAN 1,000,000 NOTIFICATION REQUESTS AND TRANSMITS MORE THAN SEVEN MILLION NOTIFICATIONS, PROVIDING PROTECTION TO UTILITY COMPANIES, THEIR EMPLOYEES, CUSTOMERS, AND THE GENERAL PUBLIC; AND

WHEREAS, WE ARE THANKFUL FOR THE SERVICE PROVIDED BY PENNSYLVANIA 811 AND ENCOURAGE ALL RESIDENTS, ENGINEERS, DESIGNERS, EXCAVATORS AND HOMEOWNERS TO DIAL 8-1-1 AT LEAST THREE BUSINESS DAYS IN ADVANCE OF AN EXCAVATION PROJECT SUCH AS PLANTING A TREE, INSTALLING A MAILBOX POST, BUILDING A DECK OR SWIMMING POOL OR REPLACING A DRIVEWAY.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DOES HEREBY PROCLAIM APRIL 2020 AS “PENNSYLVANIA 811 SAFE DIGGING MONTH” IN CARBON COUNTY.

ADOPTED BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 19TH DAY OF MARCH, 2020.
MARCH 19, 2020

CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/S/ WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN
/S/ ROCKY C. AHNER, VICE-CHAIRMAN
/S/ CHRIS L. LUKASEVICH, MEMBER

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

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO ADOPT THE PROCLAMATION DESIGNATING THE MONTH OF APRIL, 2020 AS “PENNSYLVANIA 811 SAFE DIGGING MONTH.”

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

COMMISSIONERS’ REPORTS:

COMMISSIONER AHNER PROVIDED COMMENTS ON THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND PROCLAMATIONS OR DECLARATIONS BEING ADOPTED TO HAVE ACCESS TO FUNDS THAT MAY BE AVAILABLE FOR THE COUNTY.

- GROCERY STORES ALTERNATING OPERATION TIMES TO KEEP SHELVES STOCKED
- CARBON CHAMBER & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION CREATING A LIST TO ALL COUNTIES TO HAVE ACCESS FOR ALL DISCOUNTS, TAKE OUT, DELIVERY, AND OUTSIDE SERVICES CURRENTLY BEING OFFERED
- FOOD PANTRY’S USING A DRIVE-THRU PROCESS FOR DISTRIBUTING FOOD
- THANKED THE VOLUNTEERS, MEDICAL AND EMERGENCY STAFF
- ONLINE EDUCATION AVAILABLE FOR CHILDREN
- THIS DISEASE CAN TARGET ANYONE, CHANGE YOUR BEHAVIOR DURING THIS CRITICAL CRISIS AND BE COURTEOUS, SAFE, AND WELL

COMMISSIONER LUKASEVICH SPOKE ON BEHALF OF THE COMMISSIONERS THANKING THE RESIDENTS OF CARBON COUNTY AND THE INDIVIDUALS USING COUNTY SERVICES DURING THIS PAST WEEK IN REGARDS TO THE CURRENT CHANGES WITH COUNTY OFFICES AND DEPARTMENTS CONCERNING THE COVID-19.

COMMISSIONER NOTHSTEIN DISCUSSED THE ACTIONS THE COUNTY HAS TAKEN REGARDING COVID-19. THE COMMISSIONERS CONTINUE TO REVIEW THE OPERATION LEVELS NOTING LEVEL 1 HAS BEEN IMPLEMENTED WITH RESTRICTIONS TO VISITORS ACCESSING THE OFFICES. LEVEL 2 IS IN THE PROCESS OF REVIEW WHEREBY CRITICAL SERVICES COULD BE DONE REMOTELY AND PLANS FOR MINIMAL STAFFING IN THE OFFICES. HE EMPHASIZED THE COMMISSIONERS NEED FULL COOPERATION FROM COUNTY EMPLOYEES AS THINGS ARE CHANGING HOURLY.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD,

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED AT 10:58 A.M.

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