

THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENE 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 MISCAVIGE, AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY JEN BOGER.

THE COUNTY CONTROLLER, COUNTY TREASURER, SHERIFF'S CAPTAIN, COUNTY SHERIFF, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR AND THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR WERE ALSO PRESENT.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE:**

A MOMENT OF SILENCE WAS OBSERVED.

**PRAYER:**

THE VICE-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. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD OCTOBER 29, 2020.

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| 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.

**OPENING OF BIDS:**

**CDBG PROJECT:**

**#20-544 LEHIGHTON BOROUGH:**

THE FOLLOWING BIDS WERE RECEIVED FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECT – LEHIGHTON BOROUGH: SIDEWALKS (FY2016, 2017 & 2018)  
REPLACE ADA HANDICAP RAMPS CORNERS OF IRON STREET (2<sup>ND</sup> ST. TO 6<sup>TH</sup> ST.)

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| PIONEER CONSTRUCTION CO., INC.<br>3298 LAKE ARIEL HWY.<br>HONESDALE, PA 18431 | BID: \$193,636.11<br>BOND: 10% |
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| LEHIGH ASPHALT PAVING & CONSTRUCTION CO.<br>P.O. BOX 549<br>TAMAQUA, PA 18252 | BID: \$316,567.25<br>BOND: 10% |
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| FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND | \$ 512,069.94  |
| TOTAL:                      | \$1,681,334.88 |

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

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| 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 OCTOBER 26, 2020 TO OCTOBER 31, 2020 REPORTING BALANCES AS FOLLOWS:

**BALANCES AS OF OCTOBER 31, 2020:**

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| GENERAL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT       | \$ 2,829.91      |
| GENERAL FUND SP NOW                 | \$ 13,557,621.76 |
| PLGIT/PRIME                         | \$ 0.00          |
| OPERATING RESERVE FUND SP NOW       | \$ 32,134.76     |
| PLGIT/PRIME                         | \$ 950,594.80    |
| RENTAL PROPERTY FUND                | \$ 189,196.44    |
| COUNTY PARKING FUND SP NOW          | \$ 632,955.76    |
| PLGIT/PRIME                         | \$ 750,469.57    |
| LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND               | \$ 661,516.72    |
| AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND           | \$ 1,434.38      |
| CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND               | \$ 354,695.95    |
| HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY FUND           | \$ 28,760.00     |
| DOMESTIC RELATION IV-D FUND         | \$ 200,945.92    |
| WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT            | \$ 25,630.54     |
| PARKS & RECREATION FUND             | \$ 34,042.02     |
| CARBON TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FUND   | \$ 113,586.39    |
| 9-1-1 FUND                          | \$ 865,388.09    |
| HAZMAT RESPONSE FUND                | \$ 157,681.67    |
| OFFENDER SUPERVISION FUND           | \$ 505,405.99    |
| ADULT ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND    | \$ 225,728.34    |
| FARMLAND PRESERVATION FUND          | \$ 86,299.07     |
| HUMAN SERVICE DEVELOPMENT FUND      | \$ 20,622.31     |
| HOMELESS GRANT FUND                 | \$ 25,894.60     |
| CENTRALIZED BOOKING FUND            | \$ 242,962.07    |
| VICTIM/WITNESS FUND                 | \$ 7,961.54      |
| RECORDER OF DEEDS IMPROVEMENT FUND  | \$ 48,123.76     |
| COUNTY RECORDS IMPROVEMENTS FUND    | \$ 12,609.57     |
| JUVENILE SUPERVISION FEE FUND       | \$ 48,187.11     |
| COMMUNITY SERVICE FEE FUND          | \$ 10,506.02     |
| PROTHONOTARY AUTOMATION FUND        | \$ 40,694.21     |
| AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND             | \$ 267,456.49    |
| CLERK OF COURTS AUTOMATION FUND     | \$ 11,854.78     |
| REGISTER OF WILLS AUTOMATION FUND   | \$ 16,898.04     |
| JUVENILE ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND | \$ 6,283.40      |
| VITAL STATS IMPROVEMENT FUND        | \$ 33,389.35     |
| SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION           | \$ 197,063.48    |
| LIQUID FUELS/ACT 44                 | \$ 573,452.59    |
| HIGHWAY BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT ACT 13   | \$ 741,130.48    |

NOVEMBER 5, 2020

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| VICTIMS SERVICES FUND        | \$ 87,533.54    |
| HOTEL ROOM EXCISE TAX FUND   | \$ 438,981.19   |
| CDBG FUND                    | \$ 45.99        |
| DEBT SERVICE FUND            | \$ 1,151,805.33 |
| CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND SP NOW | \$ 1,970,862.35 |
| PLGIT/PRIME                  | \$13,008,139.29 |
| PLGIT/CD PURCHASE            | \$ 0.00         |
| FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND  | \$ 694,297.18   |
| PAYROLL FUND                 | \$ 14,979.62    |
| TAX CLAIM FUND               | \$ 1,089,929.43 |

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

THE CHAIRMAN RECESSED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 10:36 A.M. IN ORDER TO CONVENE THE MONTHLY SALARY BOARD MEETING.

THE BOARD RECONVENED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 10:40 A.M.

**PERSONNEL REPORT:**

**HIRE:**

**SHELLY NAVARRE**, PALMERTON, PA – PART-TIME K-9 OFFICER, ANIMAL SHELTER – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 9, 2020.

**CHANGE OF STATUS:**

**DANIEL G. ZEIGLER**, LAKE HARMONY, PA  
FROM: CAPTAIN TRAINEE, SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
TO: CHIEF DEPUTY TRAINEE, SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
EFFECTIVE: NOVEMBER 5, 2020

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO ACCEPT THE PERSONNEL REPORT DATED NOVEMBER 5, 2020.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

THE OCTOBER 2020 MONTHLY REPORT WAS RECEIVED FROM THE CARBON COUNTY REGISTER OF WILLS.

THE SEPTEMBER FY2020-2021 REPORT REGARDING CARBON COUNTY RESIDENTS RECEIVING COMPENSATION FROM THE VA WAS RECEIVED FROM THE DIRECTOR OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.

COMMUNICATIONS WERE RECEIVED REGARDING THE FOLLOWING PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

ATLANTIC CARBON GROUP, INC., HAZLETON, PA  
SURFACE MINING PERMIT #13743002C3; AUTHORIZATION TO MINE #1753-13743002-03  
SPRING MOUNTAIN OPERATION  
BANKS AND HAZLE TOWNSHIPS

KEYSTONE CONSULTING ENGINEERS  
GENERAL PERMIT 7 (MINOR ROAD CROSSING)  
TREVOR BARTHOLOMEW, BARTHOLOMEW PROPERTY ENTRANCE CULVERT



BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

**CCCF WATER STORAGE TANK MAINTENANCE PROJECT:**

**#20-548 MID ATLANTIC STORAGE SYSTEMS/CHANGE ORDER #1:**

CHANGE ORDER #1 TO THE CONTRACT WITH MID ATLANTIC STORAGE SYSTEMS, INCORPORATED, OF WASHINGTON COURT HOUSE, OHIO, FOR ADDITIONAL WATER USED AT THE PRISON DURING THE PROJECT AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COUNTY ENGINEER. THIS CHANGE ORDER INCREASES THE PROPOSAL \$15,719.07 FOR A NEW CONTRACT TOTAL OF \$172,311.07.

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE CHANGE ORDER #1 TO THE AGREEMENT WITH MID ATLANTIC STORAGE SYSTEMS, INCORPORATED AS RECOMMENDED BY THE COUNTY ENGINEER.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**FURTHER BUSINESS:**

**ELECTIONS:**

MR. NOTHSTEIN SPOKE OF THE ELECTION ISSUES THAT OCCURRED WITH THE VOTING PROCESS; 11,256 BALLOTS WERE MAILED OUT; 9,362 BALLOTS WERE RETURNED; BALLOTS POSTMARKED BY THE US POSTAL SERVICE WERE RECEIVED UNTIL 8:00 P.M. ON ELECTION DAY; NOVEMBER 6, 2020 IS THE DEADLINE TO ACCEPT BALLOTS POSTMARKED NOVEMBER 3, 2020.

MR. LUKASEVICH NOTED THE ELECTIONS RESULTS ARE PUBLISHED ON THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE WEBSITE; CURRENTLY RECEIVED 27 MAIL-IN BALLOTS POSTMARKED AFTER 8:00 P.M.; DEPARTMENT OF STATE'S VOTER ROLL WILL CONFIRM THE STATISTICS OF A REGISTERED VOTER.

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:**

COMMISSIONER AHNER COMMENTED ON THE PROPOSAL FROM PERSON AGENCY FOR AN APPRAISAL OF RENTAL SPACE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 525 IRON STREET IN LEHIGHTON BOROUGH TO ACCOMMODATE A TEMPORARY COURTROOM TO ASSIST WITH THE BACKLOG OF COURT CASES DUE TO THE PANDEMIC.

COMMISSIONER LUKASEVICH DISCUSSED THE COUNTY RECEIVING APPROVAL FOR ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT \$60,000.00 FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY IN THE CARES RENT RELIEF PROGRAM.

ACKNOWLEDGED THE CARBON COUNTY VETERAN'S DAY CEREMONY WILL BE HELD NOVEMBER 10, 2020 IN THE JOSIAH WHITE PARK BEGINNING AT 1:00 P.M.

COMMISSIONER NOTHSTEIN REPORTED ON SITE PREPARATION FOR THE 44 & 76 SUSQUEHANNA STREET PROJECT CONSTRUCTION.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD,

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED AT 11:03 A.M.

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ELOISE K. AHNER,  
CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

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WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN