

JULY 15, 2021

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, VIA THE ZOOM PLATFORM WITH LIVE STREAM FOR THE PUBLIC ON THE CARBON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FACEBOOK PAGE.

PRESENT WERE COMMISSIONER AHNER, CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ELOISE AHNER, SOLICITOR MISCAVIGE, EXECUTIVE SECRETARY JEN BOGER AND SECRETARY III COREN KINTZ.

THE COUNTY CONTROLLER, COUNTY TREASURER, ATTORNEY GREEK, PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR, COURT ADMINISTRATOR AND MEMBERS OF THE PRESS WERE ALSO PRESENT.

COMMISSIONER LUKASEVICH AND TOM MILLER, CATHOLIC CHARITIES WERE AVAILABLE VIA ZOOM. COMMISSIONER NOTHSTEIN WAS ABSENT.

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 JULY 8, 2021.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES

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

THERE WERE NO GUESTS CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN REPORTED THAT THERE WERE NO EXECUTIVE SESSIONS HELD.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR:

BUDGET TRANSFERS:

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE THE BUDGET TRANSFERS AS LISTED ON TRANSMITTALS DATED JULY 15, 2021.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
 LUKASEVICH YES

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS:

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION AS LISTED ON TRANSMITTAL DATED JULY 15, 2021.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
 LUKASEVICH YES

EXPENDITURE APPROVAL:

GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT:

APPROVAL OF CHECK NUMBERS 222081 THROUGH 222318 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 111,551.34
GENERAL FUND –	
HOMELESS GRANT FUND LOAN #1	\$ 5,000.00
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$ 226.67
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$ 576.52
LIQUID FUELS FUND	\$ 342.98
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$ 7,889.91
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$ 62,220.83
DOMESTIC RELATIONS FUND	\$ 863.92
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT FUND	\$ 436.38
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 7,984.72
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 27,067.75
HAZ-MAT RESPONSE FUND	\$ 59.11
HUMAN SERVICE DEVELOPMENT FUND	\$ 3,500.00
HOMELESS GRANT FUND	\$ 3,259.00
VICTIM/WITNESS FUND	\$ 103.16
AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND	\$ 0.92
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 31,653.75
FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND	\$ 2,938.10
TAX CLAIM FUND	<u>\$ 311,291.21</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 576,966.27

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

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
 LUKASEVICH YES

TREASURER’S REPORT:

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER’S REPORT DATED JULY 5, 2021 TO JULY 9, 2021 REPORTING BALANCES AS FOLLOWS:

BALANCES AS OF JULY 9, 2021:

GENERAL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 1,170.14
GENERAL FUND SP NOW	\$ 19,414,148.81

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PLGIT/PRIME	\$ 0.00
OPERATING RESERVE FUND	\$ 984,452.04
PLGIT/PRIME	\$ 0.00
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$ 173,929.35
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$ 1,561,653.15
PLGIT/PRIME	\$ 0.00
LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND	\$ 746,607.24
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$ 419,455.13
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$ 463,309.59
HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY FUND	\$ 19,902.71
DOMESTIC RELATION IV-D FUND	\$ 281,352.39
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT	\$ 35,318.42
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 274,424.18
CARBON TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FUND	\$ 191,529.36
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 1,034,100.18
HAZMAT RESPONSE FUND	\$ 171,774.57
OFFENDER SUPERVISION FUND	\$ 331,536.86
ADULT ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND	\$ 165,803.68
FARMLAND PRESERVATION FUND	\$ 67,470.63
HUMAN SERVICE DEVELOPMENT FUND	\$ 3,722.94
HOMELESS GRANT FUND	\$ 2,728.69
CENTRALIZED BOOKING FUND	\$ 268,470.48
VICTIM/WITNESS FUND	\$ 8,595.37
RECORDER OF DEEDS IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 54,019.72
COUNTY RECORDS IMPROVEMENTS FUND	\$ 10,743.40
JUVENILE SUPERVISION FEE FUND	\$ 43,355.10
COMMUNITY SERVICE FEE FUND	\$ 10,556.31
PROTHONOTARY AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 52,228.96
AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND	\$ 343,377.14
CLERK OF COURTS AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 15,623.80
REGISTER OF WILLS AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 20,038.31
JUVENILE ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND	\$ 6,293.82
VITAL STATS IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 27,059.07
SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION	\$ 207,227.13
LIQUID FUELS/ACT 44	\$ 661,160.98
HIGHWAY BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT ACT 13	\$ 742,358.97
VICTIMS SERVICES FUND	\$ 97,786.10
HOTEL ROOM EXCISE TAX FUND	\$ 42,617.25
COVID ARP FUND	\$ 6,235,093.75
RR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND	\$ 2,000,123.29
CDBG FUND	\$ 40.36
DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$ 1,114,654.66
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 11,449,252.30
PLGIT/PRIME	\$ 0.00
PLGIT/CD PURCHASE	\$ 0.00
FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND	\$ 238,988.81
PAYROLL FUND	\$ 8,418.22
TAX CLAIM FUND	\$ 1,461,128.38

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN RECESSED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 10:32 A.M. IN ORDER TO RECONVENE THE MONTHLY SALARY BOARD MEETING.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PERMIT APPLICATION:

PANTHER CREEK PERMITTING, LLC
SURFACE MINING PERMIT #13890201
GENERAL NPDES STORMWATER PERMIT #PAM120008C
PANTHER CREEK OPERATION, NESQUEHONING BOROUGH

CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION –
ENGINEERING DISTRICT 5-0 FOR THE FOLLOWING PROJECT:

PROJECT SCHEDULE AND FINAL DESIGN STATUS REPORT #14
AGREEMENT E04098, PART 2-FINAL DESIGN
CARBON COUNTY BRIDGE #12
T-516 (NORTH OLD STAGE ROAD) OVER MUD RUN
PENN FOREST & KIDDER TOWNSHIP, CARBON COUNTY

CHILDREN & YOUTH:

#21-352 FY 2020/21 AGREEMENT:

THE FY 2020/2021 PURCHASE OF SERVICE AGREEMENT WAS SUBMITTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

THE DEVEREAUX FOUNDATION

KING OF PRUSSIA, PA

<u>PROVIDER:</u>	<u>FY20-21</u>
<u>DEVEREUX FOUNDATION-KANNER CTR-RTF'S</u>	
INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES & DEVELOPMENTAL	
DISABILITIES PROGRAM	
I/DD-FULL FUNDING	\$ 340.93
I/DD-PLACEMENT MAINTENANCE (CO-FUNDED)	\$ 128.85
I/DD-BRUMMER-FULL FUNDING (6400 LICENSE)	\$ 409.78
ONE-TO-ONE SERVICES (PER HOUR)	\$ 40.00
RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM	
DCBHC (ACUTE CARE)	\$ 967.17
BRANDYWINE	\$ 402.01
MAPLETON	\$ 427.20
ONE-TO-ONE SERVICES (PER HOUR)	\$ 40.00
PERSONAL & CLOTHING ALLOWANCE	\$ 4.00
PENNSYLVANIA FOSTER CARE	
FOSTER CARE (<13 YEARS OF AGE) – TFC	\$ 114.00
FOSTER CARE (<13 YEARS OF AGE) – TFC M/B	\$ 138.00
FOSTER CARE (<13 YEARS OF AGE) – GFC	\$ 104.00
FOSTER CARE (<13 YEARS OF AGE) – GFC M/B	\$ 128.00
FOSTER CARE (<13 YEARS OF AGE) – TRANSITIONAL	\$ 114.00
FOSTER CARE (<13 YEARS OF AGE) – EMERGENCY KINSHIP	\$ 124.00
FOSTER CARE (13+ YEARS OF AGE) – TFC	\$ 125.00
FOSTER CARE (13+ YEARS OF AGE) – TFC M/B	\$ 149.00
FOSTER CARE (13+ YEARS OF AGE) – GFC	\$ 114.00
FOSTER CARE (13+ YEARS OF AGE) – GFC M/B	\$ 138.00
FOSTER CARE (13+ YEARS OF AGE) – TRANSITIONAL	\$ 125.00
FOSTER CARE (13+ YEARS OF AGE) – COLLEGE BOUND	\$ 65.00
FOSTER CARE (13+ YEARS OF AGE) – EMERGENCY KINSHIP	\$ 134.00
TREATMENT FAMILY PROGRAM (TFP)	
INTENSIVE FOSTER CARE (<13 YEARS OF AGE)	\$ 187.46
INTENSIVE FOSTER CARE (13+ YEARS OF AGE)	\$ 197.76
POCONO COMMUNITY RESIDENTIAL REHABILITATIVE SERVICES	

FOSTER CARE – CRRS MAINTENANCE RATE \$ 15.00

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH THE DEVEREAUX FOUNDATION.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

INDEPENDENT LIFE HOME CARE & CONCIERGE SOLUTIONS:

#21-353 CONTRACT TERMINATION:

TERMINATION OF THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF CARBON (AREA AGENCY ON AGING) AND INDEPENDENT LIFE HOME CARE & CONCIERGE SOLUTIONS FOR PERSONAL CARE AND HOME SUPPORT SERVICES, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2021 WAS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL. INDEPENDENT LIFE HOME CARE & CONCIERGE SOLUTIONS DID NOT WISH TO RENEW CONTRACT AS THE REIMBURSEMENT RATE WAS TOO LOW.

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE THE TERMINATION OF THE AGREEMENT WITH INDEPENDENT LIFE HOME CARE & CONCIERGE SOLUTIONS.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES

MAUCH CHUNK LAKE PARK:

#21-354 JIM THORPE TROLLEY:

A LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH ED AND LYNN HUMPHREYS, D/B/A JIM THORPE TROLLEY COMPANY OF JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA, ALLOWING THE TROLLEY TO USE DESIGNATED AREAS FOR DEPARTURES AND ARRIVALS AT MAUCH CHUNK LAKE PARK AND THE CARBON COUNTY ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION CENTER WAS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL. AGREEMENT IS EFFECTIVE JUNE 11, 2021 WITH FINAL TERMINATION ON DECEMBER 31, 2023, NO COST INVOLVED.

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE LICENSE AGREEMENT WITH ED AND LYNN HUMPHREYS, D/B/A JIM THORPE TROLLEY COMPANY.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES

POCONO COUNTIES WIA:

#21-355 FINANCIAL AGREEMENT/WAYNE COUNTY:

THE PROGRAM YEAR 2021 WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) FINANCIAL AGREEMENT, COMMENCING JULY 1, 2021 AND TERMINATING JUNE 30, 2022, FOR EMPLOYMENT AND TRAINING AND RELATED ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES BETWEEN CARBON COUNTY (ADMINISTRATIVE ENTITY) AND WORKFORCE WAYNE, INCORPORATED (WAYNE COUNTY) WAS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL. MAXIMUM PAYMENT SHALL NOT EXCEED \$515,498.00

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE PROGRAM YEAR 2021 WORKFORCE INNOVATION AND OPPORTUNITY ACT (WIOA) FINANCIAL AGREEMENT WITH WORKFORCE WAYNE, INCORPORATED (WAYNE COUNTY).

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES
LUKASEVICH YES

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COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

COMMISSIONER AHNER COMMENTED ON THE FOLLOWING:

- FOOD BANK PURCHASED 9,000 LBS OF CANNED HAMBURGER AND CANNED TURKEY FOR DISTRIBUTION
- THE COUNTY PARKING LOT ADDED EIGHT (8) ADDITIONAL HANDICAP PARKING SPACES
- CDBG-CV BUSINESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM APPLICATION HAS BEEN EXTENDED TO JULY 30, 2021

DAVID BODNAR, DIRECTOR OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT, DISCUSSED THE CDBG-CV BUSINESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM IS TO PROVIDE SMALL BUSINESSES WITH A PROFIT OF LESS THAN \$1 MILLION DOLLARS IN ANNUAL REVENUE WITH 100 OR FEWER EMPLOYEES. THE PROGRAM PROVIDES UP TO \$10,000 TO RETAIN JOBS AND/OR PROVIDE WORKING CAPITAL FOR MICROENTERPRISES. APPLICATIONS CAN BE SUBMITTED TO THE WWW.CARBONCOUNTYCHAMBER.ORG.

TOM MILLER, CATHOLIC CHARITIES, DIOCESE OF ALLENTOWN (CCDOA) AND SERVING AS THE COUNTY'S PROGRAM MANAGER, GAVE A QUARTERLY REPORT ENDING JUNE 30, 2021, OF THE CARBON COUNTY EMERGENCY RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (ERAP). CURRENTLY, A TOTAL OF \$700,000 DOLLARS HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED. THE PROGRAM MAY POTENTIALLY CONTINUE UNTIL DECEMBER 2022.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD,

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED AT 10:42 A.M.

ELOISE K. AHNER,
CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

ROCKY C. AHNER, VICE-CHAIRMAN