

NOVEMBER 18, 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 COMMISSIONERS NOTHSTEIN, LUKASEVICH, AND AHNER, CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR ELOISE AHNER, SOLICITOR MISCAVIGE, AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY JEN BOGER.

THE COUNTY CONTROLLER MARK A. SVERCHEK, COUNTY TREASURER RON SHEEHAN, TREASURER-ELECT KEVIN ZELIENKA, COURT ADMINISTRATOR GREG ARMSTRONG, COUNTY FINANCIAL CONSULTANT JEFF WEISS, SARAH WILSON MARQUETTE ASSOCIATES AND MEMBERS OF THE PRESS 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. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 4, 2021.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

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

MR. EDWARD EVANS, BOY SCOUTS TROOP 777, SPOKE OF ATTENDING TODAY'S MEETING AS A BOY SCOUT REQUIREMENT TO EXPERIENCE THE MANNER OF CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF A UNITED STATES CITIZEN. THANKED THE COUNTY FOR ALLOWING THE BOY SCOUTS TROOPS TO UTILIZE CAMP APPLE TREE.

JERRY HOARE, JIM THORPE

RE: DISPLEASED REGARDING ISSUES THAT OCCURRED DURING THE PREVIOUS COMMISSIONERS MEETING

MR. NOTHSTEIN APOLOGIZED TO THE PUBLIC REGARDING ALTERCATIONS THAT OCCURED DURING

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PREVIOUS MEETINGS, NOTING THE COMMISSIONERS' MEETINGS ARE FOR COUNTY BUSINESS.

**EXECUTIVE SESSIONS:**

THE CHAIRMAN REPORTED THAT THERE WERE NO EXECUTIVE SESSIONS HELD.

**PROPOSED 2022 BUDGETS:**

**#21-546 OPERATING FUNDS:**

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. NOTHSTEIN, TO PRESENT THE PROPOSED 2022 OPERATING FUNDS BUDGETS OF ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES TOTALING \$57,395,244 AND MAKE THE BUDGETS AVAILABLE FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS, CARBON COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA, BETWEEN THE HOURS OF 8:30 A.M. AND 4:30 P.M., UNTIL DECEMBER 16, 2021.

MR. AHNER NOTED HE IS NOT COMFORTABLE WITH THE PROPOSED OPERATING FUNDS BUDGET AND A REVIEW SHOULD BE PERFORMED TO ASSIST WITH POTENTIALLY REDUCING COSTS RELATIVE TO THE OPERATING FUNDS BUDGET.

MR. LUKASEVICH COMMENTED ON PAY RAISES THAT OCCURRED OVER THE PAST TWO (2) YEARS WITH NO CONSIDERATION TO INFLATION RATES. HE SPOKE OF A PREVIOUS MOTION THAT WAS NOT SUPPORTED TO ASSIST WITH OFFSETTING THE HOTEL SALES TAX WITH POCONO MOUNTAIN VISITORS BUREAU AND CARBON CHAMBER & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT.

MR. NOTHSTEIN DISCUSSED THE PROPOSED BUDGET IS A TENTATIVE BUDGET ADOPTION THAT WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR REVIEW UNTIL THE FINAL ADOPTION ON DECEMBER 16, 2021.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	NO
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**#20-547 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS:**

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO PRESENT FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION THE PROPOSED 2022 CAPITAL PROJECTS FUNDS BUDGETS OF ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES TOTALING \$10,100,000 AND MAKE THE BUDGETS AVAILABLE AS STIPULATED ABOVE.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**#20-548 SPECIAL FUNDS:**

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO PRESENT FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION THE PROPOSED 2022 SPECIAL FUNDS BUDGETS OF ESTIMATED EXPENDITURES TOTALING \$19,337,602 AND MAKE THE BUDGETS AVAILABLE AS STIPULATED ABOVE.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

JEFF WEISS, COUNTY FINANCIAL CONSULTANT, GAVE A BRIEF EXPLANATION OF THE PROPOSED 2022 BUDGET. MR. WEISS NOTED HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE IS EXPECTED TO INCREASE BY APPROXIMATELY 14%. THE PENSION CONTRIBUTION DECREASED FROM PREVIOUS YEAR BY \$170,000.

CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND IS \$10.1 MILLION DOLLARS THAT IS BUDGETED FOR THE EMERGENCY OPERATION TRAINING CENTER, SUSQUEHANNA STREET PROJECT AMONG OTHER CAPITAL PROJECTS. AS THE BUDGET IS STRUCTURED CURRENTLY WITH THE HALF-MILL INCREASE AND UTILIZING \$900,000 OF THE BEGINNING FUND BALANCE TO COVER THE BUDGET. THE PROPOSED BUDGET CURRENTLY ONLY INCLUDES UNION CONTRACTED RAISES. CHILDREN & YOUTH BUDGET HAS AN INCREASE OF \$472,000 FROM THE EXPECTED MATCH.

**DEPARTMENT REPORTS:**

**CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR:**

**BUDGET TRANSFERS:**

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE THE BUDGET TRANSFERS AS LISTED ON TRANSMITTALS DATED NOVEMBER 18, 2021.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS:**

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATION AS LISTED ON TRANSMITTAL DATED NOVEMBER 18, 2021.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**EXPENDITURE APPROVAL:**

**PAYROLL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT:**

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL CHECK NUMBERS 74012 THROUGH 74032 AND DIRECT DEPOSIT CHECK NUMBERS 6035917 THROUGH 6036359 FOR PAYROLL PAID THROUGH THE PAYROLL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT FOR ALL COUNTY FUNDS TOTALING \$635,273.65 (PAYROLL DATED NOVEMBER 5, 2021).

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 224403 THROUGH 224868 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 101,355.84
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$ 571.09
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$ 2,601.28
LIQUID FUELS FUND	\$ 7,841.00
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$ 25,246.59
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$ 102,813.30
DOMESTIC RELATIONS FUND	\$ 5,265.01
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT FUND	\$ 121.65

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PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 3,502.59
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 2,858.79
HAZ-MAT RESPONSE FUND	\$ 40.01
CENTRALIZED BOOKING FUND	\$ 82.96
DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$ 755,098.55
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 49,902.28
TAX CLAIM FUND	<u>\$ 95,601.23</u>
TOTAL:	\$1,152,902.17

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

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

APPROVAL OF CHECK NUMBERS 224869 THROUGH 224990 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 88,432.50
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$ 396.40
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$ 2,588.44
LIQUID FUELS FUND	\$ 107.26
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$ 3,403.81
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$ 19,324.34
HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY FUND	\$ 38.61
DOMESTIC RELATIONS FUND	\$ 884.50
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT FUND	\$ 37.71
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 150.33
CARBON TRANSPORTATION FUND	\$ 20,213.00
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 4,764.44
HAZ-MAT RESPONSE FUND	\$ 48.29
VICTIM/WITNESS FUND	\$ 135.56
AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND	\$ 11.79
CDBG FUND	\$ 7.53
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 267,896.30
TAX CLAIM FUND	<u>\$ 306.10</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 408,746.91

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

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**TREASURER'S REPORTS:**

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORTS AS FOLLOWS:

**BALANCES AS OF NOVEMBER 5, 2021:**

GENERAL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 2,105.11
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GENERAL FUND SP NOW	\$ 14,053,312.05
PLGIT/PRIME	\$ 0.00
OPERATING RESERVE FUND	\$ 985,281.67
PLGIT/PRIME	\$ 0.00
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$ 167,818.17
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$ 1,962,538.87
PLGIT/PRIME	\$ 0.00
LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND	\$ 726,157.50
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$ 151,454.94
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$ 242,764.12
HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY FUND	\$ 20,616.39
DOMESTIC RELATION IV-D FUND	\$ 280,953.42
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT	\$ 20,882.23
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 225,180.41
CARBON TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FUND	\$ 308,817.17
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 701,284.56
HAZMAT RESPONSE FUND	\$ 175,940.30
OFFENDER SUPERVISION FUND	\$ 603,856.55
ADULT ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND	\$ 174,112.63
FARMLAND PRESERVATION FUND	\$ 81,498.92
HUMAN SERVICE DEVELOPMENT FUND	\$ 12,553.40
HOMELESS GRANT FUND	\$ 6,900.22
CENTRALIZED BOOKING FUND	\$ 272,607.92
VICTIM/WITNESS FUND	\$ 3,213.21
RECORDER OF DEEDS IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 67,169.29
COUNTY RECORDS IMPROVEMENTS FUND	\$ 19,488.49
JUVENILE SUPERVISION FEE FUND	\$ 44,562.90
COMMUNITY SERVICE FEE FUND	\$ 10,797.59
PROTHONOTARY AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 56,592.89
AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND	\$ 388,316.85
CLERK OF COURTS AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 17,023.44
REGISTER OF WILLS AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 13,039.95
JUVENILE ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND	\$ 6,299.13
VITAL STATS IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 31,557.50
SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION	\$ 215,190.52
LIQUID FUELS/ACT 44	\$ 661,718.15
HIGHWAY BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT ACT 13	\$ 805,840.60
VICTIMS SERVICES FUND	\$ 103,536.72
HOTEL ROOM EXCISE TAX FUND	\$ 593,102.65
COVID ARP FUND	\$ 6,203,615.51
RR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FUND	\$ 1,501,771.19
CDBG FUND	\$ 78.61
DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$ 1,278,827.39
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 9,476,013.05
PLGIT/PRIME	\$ 0.00
PLGIT/CD PURCHASE	\$ 0.00
FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND	\$ 756,581.23
PAYROLL FUND	\$ 181,369.00
TAX CLAIM FUND	\$ 1,348,647.36

**BALANCES AS OF NOVEMBER 12, 2021:**

GENERAL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 2,105.11
GENERAL FUND SP NOW	\$ 14,213,516.37



THE MEETING.

THE CHAIRMAN RECESSED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 10:57 A.M. IN ORDER TO CONVENE THE MONTHLY SALARY BOARD MEETING.

THE BOARD RECONVENED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 10:58 A.M.

**PERSONNEL REPORT:**

**COUNTY DEPARTMENTS:**

**EMPLOYMENT SEPARATION:**

**LATASHA D. ROACH**, LEHIGHTON, PA – PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER/TEAMSTERS, CORRECTIONS – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 3, 2021.

**RESIGNATIONS:**

**DAVID J. WEAVER**, NESQUEHONING, PA – CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 5, 2021.

**MATTHEW J. MOTTOLA**, PALMERTON, PA – FULL-TIME ASSISTANT PUBLIC DEFENDER, PUBLIC DEFENDER’S OFFICE – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 26, 2021.

**DATE OF HIRE CORRECTION:**

**BRITTANY T. STEPP**, PALMERTON, PA – PART-TIME DISPATCHER TRAINEE, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 15, 2021.

**HIRES AS RECOMMENDED BY DEPARTMENT SUPERVISORS:**

**ROBERT J. SIKORSKY**, PALMERTON, PA – PART-TIME PARKING/METER ATTENDANT, PARKING FUND – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 17, 2021.

**GREGORY T. GAURONSKY**, LEHIGHTON, PA – ACCOUNTANT II, CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 29, 2021.

**NICOLE MYKOLIW**, DRUMS, PA – CASEWORKER, PCWDA – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 29, 2021.

**PRISON BOARD APPOINTMENTS:**

**JAMES E. YOUNGKIN**, NESQUEHONING, PA – WARDEN – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 29, 2021.

**DOUGLAS P. BUDZIAK**, NESQUEHONING, PA – PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER/TEAMSTERS – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 29, 2021.

**NICHLAS R. SHORTEN**, JIM THORPE, PA – CORRECTIONS OFFICER – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 29, 2021.

**REBECCA B. SINCLAIR**, ALBRIGHTSVILLE, PA – CORRECTIONS OFFICER – EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 29, 2021.

**CHANGE OF STATUS:**

**RICHARD S. KOTT**, TRESCKOW, PA  
FROM: PART-TIME DISPATCHER, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER  
TO: 911 OPERATOR, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER  
EFFECTIVE: NOVEMBER 22, 2021

**SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUESTS:**

**ELECTIONS**

**LISA R. DART**

ASSOCIATION OF EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA COUNTY ELECTION PERSONNEL (AECEP) DECEMBER MEETING  
HARRISBURG, PA

COST: CONFERENCE FEE \$55.00, LODGING, MEALS, PARKING, MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS  
UNAVAILABLE)

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY**

**MARK S. NALESNIK**

ACTIVE THREAT INTEGRATED RESPONSE COURSE (PER-340)  
NESQUEHONING, PA

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE THE PERSONNEL REPORT  
DATED NOVEMBER 18, 2021.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES*
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

\*MR. LUKASEVICH STATED, "I VOTE YES, WITH THE  
EXCEPTION OF THE HIRE OF JAMES E. YOUNGKIN  
PRISON BOARD APPOINTMENT AS WARDEN, TO  
WHICH I ABSTAIN.

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/COURTS & ROW OFFICES:**

**COURTS**

**SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUESTS:**

**ADULT PROBATION**

**RICHMOND S. PARSONS**

COUNTY CHIEF ADULT PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF PA QUARTERLY  
MEMBERSHIP MEETING

STATE COLLEGE, PA

COST: LODGING, MEALS, MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

**JUVENILE COURT**

**JOSEPH A. GRECO**

ACTIVE THREAT INTEGRATED RESPONSE COURSE (PER-340)  
NESQUEHONING, PA

**JANELLE M. ONDRUS**

**MARIES C. APONTE**

PHOENIX TRAINING – ADDICTION AND CONNECTION TO TREATMENT

JIM THORPE, PA

**JOSEPH A. GRECO**

**KIMMY L. MULIK**

**JANELLE M. ONDRUS**

**SHAWN M. JONES**

**MARIES C. APONTE**

COMPREHENSIVE YOUTH SUICIDE ASSESSMENT AND PREVENTION TRAINING

JIM THORPE, PA

COST: CONFERENCE FEE \$200.00 PER PERSON

MARIES C. APONTE  
DEFENSIVE TACTICS TRAINING  
JIM THORPE, PA

**CLERK OF COURTS**

**CHANGE OF STATUS:**

REGINA M. D’ANCONA, NESQUEHONING, PA  
FROM: CLERICAL SPECIALIST  
TO: DEPUTY CLERK  
EFFECTIVE: NOVEMBER 10, 2021

**TREASURER**

**RETIREMENT:**

JEAN M. SCARLOSS, TAMAQUA, PA – DEPARTMENT CLERK III – EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 20, 2021.

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PERSONNEL REPORT DATED NOVEMBER 18, 2021.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

MINUTES RECEIVED: SEPTEMBER 21, 2021 MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY SAFETY COMMITTEE.

THE AUGUST AND THE SEPTEMBER TRACKER REPORTS REGARDING CARBON COUNTY RESIDENTS RECEIVING COMPENSATION FROM THE VA WERE RECEIVED FROM THE DIRECTOR OF VETERANS AFFAIRS.

CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AWARDDING THE CONTRACT TO FABCOR, INCORPORATED FOR THE NEPA BRIDGE PRESERVE & REPAIR 6, CONTRACT #109334. A PRECONSTRUCTION CONFERENCE WILL BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 22, 2021 AT 9:30 A.M. VIA MICROSOFT TEAMS TELECONFERENCE. (CALL-IN INFORMATION WILL BE PROVIDED IN A FOLLOW-UP EMAIL.)

NOTICE WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES INFORMING THAT CARBON COUNTY’S FY 2021-2022 HUMAN SERVICES PLAN HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND APPROVED.

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

PROJECT SCHEDULE AND FINAL DESIGN STATUS REPORT #18  
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

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

BOROUGH OF JIM THORPE  
SUBMITTED BY ENTECH ENGINEERING, INCORPORATED, READING, PA  
CHAPTER 105 WATER OBSTRUCTIONS & ENCROACHMENT PERMIT

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HIGH STREET WATER MAIN REPLACEMENT

ROSSI EXCAVATING COMPANY, BEAVER MEADOW, PA  
SURFACE MINING PERMIT #13990201  
GENERAL NPDES STORMWATER #PAM113074C  
GREENFIELD OPERATION  
BANKS TOWNSHIP, CARBON COUNTY

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**ADVERTISING REQUESTS:**

**#21-549 2022 ANNUAL SALARY BOARD:**

AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF THE CARBON COUNTY ANNUAL SALARY BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD AND LIVE-STREAMED AT [WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CARBONCOUNTYCOMMISSIONERS](http://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CARBONCOUNTYCOMMISSIONERS), MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2022 CONVENING AT 2:00 P.M., IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY A MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF THE CARBON COUNTY ANNUAL SALARY BOARD MEETING TO BE HELD AND LIVE-STREAMED AT [WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CARBONCOUNTYCOMMISSIONERS](http://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CARBONCOUNTYCOMMISSIONERS), MONDAY, JANUARY 3, 2022 CONVENING AT 2:00 P.M., IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWED BY A MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**#21-550 2022 HOLIDAYS:**

AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF THE 2022 HOLIDAYS AS FOLLOWS:

FEBRUARY 21	PRESIDENT’S DAY
APRIL 15	GOOD FRIDAY
MAY 30	MEMORIAL DAY
JULY 4	INDEPENDENCE DAY
SEPTEMBER 5	LABOR DAY
OCTOBER 10	COLUMBUS DAY
NOVEMBER 11	VETERANS DAY
NOVEMBER 24	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
NOVEMBER 25	THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY
DECEMBER 26	CHRISTMAS (OBSERVED)

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF THE 2022 HOLIDAYS AS LISTED.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**#21-551 2022 MEETING SCHEDULE:**

AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT SETTING THE 2022 MEETING SCHEDULE AS FOLLOWS:

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN ALL PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, AND OTHERS LISTED BELOW, FOR THE YEAR 2022 WILL BE HELD AND LIVE-STREAMED AT [WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CARBONCOUNTYCOMMISSIONERS](http://WWW.FACEBOOK.COM/CARBONCOUNTYCOMMISSIONERS), EVERY THURSDAY AT 10:30 AM, PREVAILING TIME, IN THE COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM #1, THIRD FLOOR, CARBON COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, JIM THORPE, PA, COMMENCING THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2022, WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS: NOVEMBER 24, 2022 – THANKSGIVING.

MEETINGS OF THE CARBON COUNTY SALARY BOARD FOR THE YEAR 2022 WILL BE HELD ON THE FIRST THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH UPON RECESS OF THE COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING, COMMENCING FEBRUARY 3, 2022.

MEETINGS OF THE CARBON COUNTY ELECTION BOARD FOR THE YEAR 2022 WILL BE HELD ON THE SECOND THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH FOLLOWING THE COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING, COMMENCING JANUARY 13, 2022.

MEETINGS OF THE CARBON COUNTY RETIREMENT BOARD FOR THE YEAR 2022 WILL BE HELD ON THE THIRD THURSDAY OF EACH MONTH FOLLOWING THE COMMISSIONERS' REGULAR MEETING, COMMENCING JANUARY 20, 2022.

MEETINGS OF THE CARBON COUNTY PRISON BOARD FOR THE YEAR 2022 WILL BE HELD ON THE THIRD WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH BEGINNING AT 1:30 PM, IN THE COMMISSIONERS' CONFERENCE ROOM #1, THIRD FLOOR, CARBON COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, JIM THORPE, PA COMMENCING ON JANUARY 19, 2022.

MEETINGS ARE BARRIER-FREE. REQUESTS FOR SPECIAL ACCOMMODATIONS SHOULD BE DIRECTED TO THE COUNTY ADA COORDINATOR AT (570) 325-3611.

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT SETTING OF THE 2022 MEETING SCHEDULE AS LISTED.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**#21-552 CDBG/FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITY:**

AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FY 2021 FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITY REQUIRED ANNUALLY FOR THOSE RECEIVING FEDERAL PROGRAM FUNDS.

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF PUBLIC NOTICE OF COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FY 2021 FAIR HOUSING ACTIVITY.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**COMMUNICATIONS CENTER/HVAC:**

**#21-553** AS CONFIRMED BY THE COUNTY ENGINEER DUE TO THE SEVERITY OF THE SITUATION AT THE CARBON COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER WITH THE HVAC UNIT, THE COUNTY HAS MOVED FORWARD WITH THE EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT OF THE HVAC UNIT AT THE CENTER EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 4, 2021.

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO RATIFY THE EMERGENCY REPLACEMENT OF

THE HVAC UNIT AT THE CARBON COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS CENTER, AS CONFIRMED BY THE COUNTY ENGINEER.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**#21-554** RATIFY THE PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM A&W PLUMBING TO REPLACE SAID UNIT AT THE QUOTED PRICE OF \$60,000.00, THIS REPLACES AGENDA ITEM #21-534 OF NOVEMBER 4, 2021.

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO RATIFY THE PROPOSAL FROM A&W PLUMBING FOR REPLACEMENT OF THE HVAC SYSTEM AT THE CENTER.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**CORONER:**

**#21-555 FORENSIC PATHOLOGY/AGREEMENT:**

AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY OF CARBON AND FORENSIC PATHOLOGY ASSOCIATES OF ALLENTOWN, PENNSYLVANIA, TO PROVIDE SERVICES FOR THE CORONER'S OFFICE FOR THE TERM JANUARY 1, 2022 – DECEMBER 31, 2022 WAS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL AT THE FOLLOWING FEES:

FORENSIC AUTOPSY SERVICES	\$ 1,650.00 (\$55.00 INCREASE)
NEUROPATHOLOGY CONSULTATIVE SERVICES	\$ 775.00 (\$5.00 INCREASE)
HISTOLOGY, SLIDES AND PREPARATION (PER SLIDE)	\$ 20.00
TOXICOLOGY POSTMORTEM SCREEN	\$ 400.00
VITREOUS, ELECTROLYTE AND GLUCOSE	\$ 100.00
CARBON MONOXIDE	\$ 80.00
EXPOSE PANEL	\$ 150.00
RADIOLOGY SERVICES	FEE PER FILM AT CURRENT LVHN FEE SCHEDULE
MCADD	\$ 85.00

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH FORENSIC PATHOLOGY ASSOCIATES.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**#21-556 QUINCY TECHNOLOGY AGREEMENT:**

AN AGREEMENT WITH QUINCY TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS, INCORPORATED OF NEW HAVEN, CONNECTICUT, FOR UNLIMITED LICENSED SOFTWARE AND MAINTENANCE FOR THE CORONER'S OFFICE FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY 1, 2022 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2022 WAS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL. COST IS \$2,756.00 FOR HOSTING AND \$3,497.00 FOR LICENSING, TOTALING \$6,253.00 (REPRESENTS AN INCREASE OF \$1,315.00) (FUNDED THROUGH THE VITAL STATISTICS FUND).

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH QUINCY TECHNOLOGY SOLUTIONS.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT:**

**#21-557 TRAINING CONTRACT/BUCKS COUNTY:**

A REQUEST WAS RECEIVED FROM THE EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR FOR APPROVAL OF THE 2022 TRAINING MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM CONTRACT WITH BUCKS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE SELECTING THE “BRONZE MEMBERSHIP PROGRAM” AT A COST OF \$1,200.00 (FUNDED BY THE 2021/2022 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE FUND (HMRF) GRANT THROUGH THE HAZMAT PROGRAM).

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT WITH BUCKS COUNTY COMMUNITY COLLEGE.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**HUMAN SERVICES:**

**#21-558 STATE FOOD/EXPENSE & DATA:**

THE FY 2021/2022 STATE FOOD PURCHASE PROGRAM’S FIRST QUARTER EXPENSE AND DATA REPORT AS SUBMITTED BY SHEPHERD HOUSE, INCORPORATED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE.

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO ACCEPT THE FY 2021/2022 STATE FOOD PURCHASE PROGRAM’S FIRST QUARTER EXPENSE AND DATA REPORT.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:**

**#21-559 CDBG-CV/REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT/FAMILY PROMISE:**

A REQUEST WAS RECEIVED FROM THE DIRECTOR OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT FOR APPROVAL OF THE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH FAMILY PROMISE OF CARBON COUNTY THROUGH THE FY 2020 CDBG-CV FUNDS, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$20,047.10, TO BENEFIT NON-ENTITLEMENT AND ENTITLEMENT MUNICIPALITIES AS LISTED:

- NON-ENTITLEMENT MUNICIPALITIES - \$166,152.00
- FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP - \$61,417.00
- JIM THORPE BOROUGH - \$62,808.00
- LEHIGHTON BOROUGH - \$64,734.00
- MAHONING TOWNSHIP - \$61,533.00
- PALMERTON BOROUGH - \$64,503.00

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT WITH FAMILY PROMISE OF CARBON COUNTY THROUGH THE FY 2020 CDBG-CV FUNDS, TO BENEFIT NON-ENTITLEMENT AND ENTITLEMENT MUNICIPALITIES.

MR. LUKASEVICH DISCUSSED THE COUNTY ASSISTED FAMILY PROMISE OF CARBON COUNTY WITH CDBG FUNDS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$50,000, LSA GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$30,000 AND COUNTY RELIEF BLOCK GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,000 OR \$5,000 OVER TWO (2) YEARS. HE SPOKE OF HIS CONCERNS REGARDING THE PROGRESS WITH FAMILY PROMISE NOT OBTAINING THEIR OBLIGATIONS RELATIVE TO MEETING THE NEEDS OF HOMELESSNESS FOR SINGLE WOMEN.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

NOVEMBER 18, 2021

**SERVICE AGREEMENT:**

**#21-560 SCHINDLER ELEVATOR:**

THE ANNUAL RENEWAL OF THE ELEVATOR SERVICE AGREEMENT WITH SCHINDLER ELEVATOR CORPORATION FOR THE COURT HOUSE (2), COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING (1) AND 76 SUSQUEHANNA STREET (1), AT A TOTAL COST OF \$8,685.16 WAS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL. THE TERM WILL BE OCTOBER 1, 2021 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2022. ELEVATOR #1 IN THE COURT HOUSE IS COVERED UNTIL FEBRUARY 1, 2022 WHEN IT WILL BE TAKEN OUT OF SERVICE. THE INVOICE WAS DECREASED BY \$1,404.08 TO REFLECT THE REMOVAL OF ELEVATOR #1.

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE MODIFIED AGREEMENT WITH SCHINDLER ELEVATOR CORPORATION.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

**AGENCY ON AGING:**

**#21-561 AGREEMENT/REDCO:**

A LETTER OF AGREEMENT/LINKAGES WITH REDCO GROUP BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES, STROUDSBURG, PENNSYLVANIA, TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE PSYCHIATRIC OUTPATIENT SERVICES EFFECTIVE UNTIL DECEMBER, 2023 WAS SUBMITTED BY THE AREA AGENCY ON AGING DIRECTOR.

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT WITH THE REDCO GROUP.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**CHILDREN & YOUTH:**

**#21-562 EXTENSION FISCAL CONSULTANT CONTRACT:**

AN EXTENSION TO THE CONSULTING AGREEMENT WITH KELLIE NOBLE OF BETHLEHEM, PENNSYLVANIA, TO PROVIDE FISCAL SERVICES TO THE CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES DEPARTMENT EFFECTIVE NOVEMBER 1, 2021 THROUGH FEBRUARY 28, 2022 WAS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL. ALL OTHER TERMS OF THE AGREEMENT REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT.

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE EXTENSION TO THE CONSULTING AGREEMENT WITH KELLIE NOBLE.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**DOMESTIC RELATIONS/IV-D:**

**#21-563 TERMINATION AGREEMENT/HEARING OFFICER/DIEHL:**

A REQUEST WAS RECEIVED FROM THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR FOR APPROVAL TO TERMINATE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF CARBON, EILEEN DIEHL, ESQUIRE, CENTER VALLEY, PENNSYLVANIA AND THE CARBON COUNTY COURT OF COMMON PLEAS, DOMESTIC RELATIONS OFFICE, FOR THE PROVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES AS HEARING OFFICER AS REQUIRED UNDER THE IV-D COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 2021.

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE THE TERMINATION OF THE AGREEMENT WITH EILEEN DIEHL, ESQUIRE.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**#21-564 TERMINATION AGREEMENT/DIEHL:**

A REQUEST WAS RECEIVED FROM THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR FOR APPROVAL TO TERMINATE THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY, THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS/DOMESTIC RELATIONS OFFICE, AND EILEEN DIEHL, ESQUIRE FOR THE PROVISION OF PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES AS DOMESTIC RELATIONS HEARING OFFICER AND CUSTODY/DIVORCE MASTER EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 2021.

MOTION BY MR. AHNER, SECONDED BY MR. LUKASEVICH, TO APPROVE THE TERMINATION OF THE AGREEMENT WITH EILEEN DIEHL, ESQUIRE.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**LIL-RUS FARMS:**

**#21-565 RENEWAL AGREEMENT/MCLP:**

AS RECOMMENDED BY THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION TO APPROVE THE RENEWAL OF AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND LIL-RUS FARMS WAS SUBMITTED. THE TERM OF THE RENEWAL SHALL BE THREE (3) YEARS COMMENCING ON JANUARY 7, 2022 AND ENDING JANUARY 6, 2025.

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE RENEWAL OF AGRICULTURAL OPERATIONS AGREEMENT WITH LIL-RUS FARMS.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**PARKS/RECREATION:**

**#21-566 BANNER REQUEST:**

A BANNER REQUEST WAS SUBMITTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

CARBON CHAMBER & ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT  
TREE LIGHTING CEREMONY, DECEMBER 3, 2021  
BANNER REQUEST: 11/22/21 TO 12/06/21

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE BANNER REQUEST AS LISTED.

BOARD POLLED: AHNER YES  
LUKASEVICH YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**RESOLUTION:**

**#21-567 EAGLE SCOUT/MCCARTY:**

NOVEMBER 18, 2021

A RESOLUTION HONORING AIDEN SEAN MCCARTY, MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 209, PALMERTON, PENNSYLVANIA, ON ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT.

**RESOLUTION #21-027**  
**EAGLE SCOUT/MCCARTY**

**WHEREAS**, AIDAN SEAN MCCARTY HAS SUCCEEDED IN ACHIEVING SCOUTING'S HIGHEST HONOR, THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT; AND

**WHEREAS**, AIDAN SEAN MCCARTY IS A MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 209, SPONSORED BY PALMERTON ROD AND GUN CLUB, PALMERTON, PENNSYLVANIA, AND HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN SCOUTING FOR 13 YEARS. DURING HIS SCOUTING CAREER, HE HAS EARNED 34 BADGES INCLUDING FISHING, COOKING, AND CITIZENSHIP IN THE NATION; AND

**WHEREAS**, AIDAN SEAN MCCARTY'S EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT WAS PAINTING AND RESTORING THE EXTERIOR OF ST. JOHN'S UCC OF PALMERTON. AIDEN SCRAPED THE EXTERIOR DOWN TO THE ORIGINAL WOOD AND REPAINTED. HE POWER WASHED THE SIDING AND FOUNDATION. AIDAN ALSO MADE ALL WALKABLE SURFACES SAFER BY COVERING THE SURFACES WITH A MIXTURE OF PAINT AND PUMICE. AIDAN SPENT 105 HOURS ON THIS PROJECT; AND

**WHEREAS**, AIDAN SEAN MCCARTY HAS DEVELOPED THE NECESSARY SKILLS AND DETERMINATION TO ACHIEVE AN HONOR HE WILL VALUE FOR A LIFETIME; AND

**WHEREAS**, AIDAN SEAN MCCARTY 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 AIDAN SEAN MCCARTY.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY HEREBY RECOGNIZES THE ACHIEVEMENT OF AIDAN SEAN MCCARTY AND HEREBY COMMENDS AND CONGRATULATES HIM IN ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT.

ADOPTED BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2021.

**BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CARBON**

/S/ WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN

/S/ ROCKY AHNER, VICE-CHAIRMAN

/S/ CHRIS LUKASEVICH, MEMBER

**ATTEST**

/S/ ELOISE K. AHNER

COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/CHIEF CLERK

OCTOBER 29, 2021

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO RATIFY AND ADOPT THE RESOLUTION HONORING AIDEN SEAN MCCARTY, MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 209.

BOARD POLLED:	AHNER	YES
	LUKASEVICH	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**ST. LUKE'S/IRON STREET PROPERTY:**

**#21-568 LETTER OF INTENT:**

ACKNOWLEDGE THE LETTER OF INTENT FROM ST. LUKE'S UNIVERSITY HEALTH NETWORK, DATED NOVEMBER 16, 2021, FOR THE PURCHASE OF REAL ESTATE LOCATED AT 525 IRON STREET, LEHIGHTON, PENNSYLVANIA.

MOTION BY MR. LUKASEVICH, SECONDED BY MR. AHNER, TO AMEND THE LETTER OF INTENT FROM ST. LUKE'S UNIVERSITY HEALTH NETWORK.

BOARD POLLED:   AHNER       YES  
                          LUKASEVICH   YES  
                          NOTHSTEIN    YES

MR. AHNER GAVE A DETAILED POWERPOINT PRESENTATION REGARDING THE ST. LUKE'S UNIVERSITY HEALTH NETWORK BUILDING LOCATED AT 525 IRON STREET, LEHIGHTON, PENNSYLVANIA. THE BUILDING CURRENTLY HAS 5,671 SQUARE FEET OF SPACE AVAILABLE WITH AN ADDITIONAL 2,650 SQUARE FEET WHICH IS STILL BEING OCCUPIED BY ST. LUKE'S WOUND CARE. THE SALE PRICE OF THE BUILDING IS \$510,000 IN ADDITION TO RENOVATIONS APPROXIMATELY COSTING \$1,490,000 WITH A TOTAL COST OF \$2,000,000. THE BUILDING CAN ACCOMMODATE SIXTEEN (16) CHILDREN & YOUTH EMPLOYEES AS EARLY AS FEBRUARY 2022 WITH THE REMAINING STAFF INCLUDING NEW STAFF FROM THE CURRENT LOCATION AT 76 SUSQUEHANNA STREET, JIM THORPE WITH THE INTENT TO GRADUALLY RELOCATE THE ENTIRE DEPARTMENT TO THE IRON STREET BUILDING IN LEHIGHTON OVER A 12-18 MONTH PERIOD.

MR. LUKASEVICH RECOMMENDED THE COUNTY OBSERVE OTHER OPTIONS REGARDING POTENTIAL SPACE THAT WILL MEET THE NEEDS FOR THE FUTURE. HE SPOKE OF THE COUNTY CONTACTING A PRIVATE CONTRACTOR RELATIVE TO POTENTIAL PROPERTY FOR NEW CONSTRUCTION COMPARED TO RENOVATION OF A BUILDING.

MR. NOTHSTEIN DISCUSSED THE COUNTY HAS SOME EXTREMELY DIFFICULT DECISIONS TO MAKE RELATIVE TO POTENTIAL SPACE FOR COUNTY OFFICES.

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:**

COMMISSIONER AHNER ACKNOWLEDGED THE FOLLOWING:

- RESOLUTION HONORING AIDEN SEAN MCCARTY, MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 209, ON ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT
- DONATION RECEIVED FROM TABITHA SERFASS, REGARDING A. DONALD AND MARY G. BEHLER FOUNDATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000 FOR THE CARBON COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER.

COMMISSIONER NOTHSTEIN NOTED THERE ARE VARIOUS ISSUES THAT HAVE TO BE CONSIDERED WHEN ADOPTING THE BUDGET.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD,

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED AT 11:33 A.M.

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ELOISE K. AHNER,  
CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

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WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN