

THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENED THIS DATE AT 10:32 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM, COURTHOUSE ANNEX, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA.

PRESENT WERE COMMISSIONERS NOTHSTEIN, GERHARD, AND O'GUREK, CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AHNER, SOLICITOR MISCAVIGE, AND SECRETARY III IDA STEELE.

THE COUNTY CONTROLLER, COUNTY TREASURER, 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. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD AUGUST 14, 2014.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**GUESTS (CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS):**

THERE WERE NO GUESTS CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS.

**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 AUGUST 21, 2014.

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 109359 THROUGH 109456 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

GENERAL FUND	\$	70,252.42
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$	7,497.65
9-1-1 FUND	\$	2,019.99
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$	1,786.49
LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND	\$	99,600.50
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$	32,341.80
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$	12,938.81
DOMESTIC RELATIONS 4D FUND	\$	313.43
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT FUND	\$	64.00
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$	132.00
HAZ-MAT RESPONSE FUND	\$	139.83
OFFENDER SUPERVISION FUND	\$	11,000.00
HUMAN SERVICE DEVELOPMENT FUND	\$	7,650.80
CDBG FUND	\$	182.40
FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND	\$	852,489.25
TAX CLAIM FUND	\$	<u>10,503.50</u>
TOTAL:	\$	1,108,912.87

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 VOTED YES WITH THE EXCEPTION OF BILLS FOR THE TIMES NEWS AND BLUE RIDGE COMMUNICATIONS, HE ABSTAINED.

**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT DATED AUGUST 15, 2014 REPORTING BALANCES AS FOLLOWS:

**BALANCES AS OF AUGUST 15, 2014:**

GENERAL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$	1,253.79
PAYROLL CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$	18,043.50
GENERAL FUND SP NOW	\$	11,815,498.54
OPERATING RESERVE	\$	927,314.83
RENTAL PROPERTY	\$	262,760.57
SOLID WASTE FUND	\$	162,022.03
9-1-1 FUND	\$	166,023.31
PARKING FUND	\$	1,015,869.37

ACT 78 FUND	\$	68,480.15
ACT 56 FUND	\$	1,068,804.89
LIQUID FUELS	\$	289,769.33
AREA AGENCY ON AGING	\$	385,024.70
CHILDREN & YOUTH	\$	184,604.40
HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY	\$	19,950.66
DOMESTIC RELATIONS	\$	56,748.85
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT	\$	16,237.84
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$	146,709.19
CARBON TRANSPORTATION	\$	56.31
HAZMAT FUND	\$	129,131.10
OFFENDER SUPERVISION	\$	540,194.72
ADULT ELECTRONIC MONITORING	\$	144,282.90
SMALL BUSINESS EXPANSION LOAN	\$	69,460.65
FARMLAND PRESERVATION	\$	145,808.85
HUMAN SERVICES DEVELOPMENT	\$	7,541.15
HOMELESS GRANT	\$	0.49
CENTRALIZED BOOKING	\$	59,309.64
VICTIM WITNESS	\$	10,358.61
RECORDER OF DEEDS	\$	27,683.32
RECORDS IMPROVEMENTS	\$	9,292.27
JUVENILE SUPERVISION FEE	\$	18,885.98
COMMUNITY SERVICE FEE	\$	14,721.42
PROTHONOTARY AUTOMATION	\$	9,523.46
AFFORDABLE HOUSING	\$	227,988.25
CLERK OF COURTS	\$	9,382.70
REGISTER OF WILLS	\$	10,391.37
JUVENILE ELECTRONIC MONITORING	\$	4,103.04
VITAL STATISTICS	\$	39,197.69
SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION FUND	\$	33,116.64
LIQUID FUELS/ACT 44 FUND	\$	206,831.38
ACT 13 BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$	183,369.74
VICTIMS SERVICE FUND	\$	17,316.36
HOTEL EXCISE TAX FUND	\$	125,688.00
CDBG FUND	\$	304.50
DEBT SERVICE	\$	2,371,353.04
CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$	453,435.13
FRINGE BENEFITS	\$	1,111,784.92
TAX CLAIM	\$	201,297.23

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**PERSONNEL REPORT:****RESIGNATIONS:**

**PATRICE L. BJORKMAN**, LEHIGHTON, PA – CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS – EFFECTIVE JULY 8, 2014.

**MARJORIE M. LALLY**, PALMERTON, PA – CERTIFIED COURT REPORTER, COURT ADMINISTRATION – EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 3, 2014.

**EMPLOYMENT SEPARATIONS:**

**SHAWN P. BLASKO**, LANSFORD, PA – COUNTY CASEWORKER I, CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES – EFFECTIVE AUGUST 14, 2014

**ADAM J. NEVENGLOSKY**, NESQUEHONING, PA – SUMMER LABORER, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – EFFECTIVE AUGUST 22, 2014.

**NICHOLAS D. O'DONNELL**, SUMMIT HILL, PA – SUMMER LABORER, BUILDINGS & GROUNDS – EFFECTIVE AUGUST 22, 2014.

**WILLIAM H. BRACK, JR.**, MAHANAY CITY, PA – CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS – EFFECTIVE AUGUST 20, 2014.

**CHANGE OF STATUS:**

**DARRIN M. ARNDT**, LEHIGHTON, PA

FROM: PART-TIME DISPATCHER, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER  
TO: 911 OPERATOR, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER  
EFFECTIVE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2014

**GERARD A. BABB, JR.**, PALMERTON, PA

FROM: PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER/TEAMSTERS, CORRECTIONS  
TO: CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS  
EFFECTIVE: SEPTEMBER 1, 2014

**JOSEPH M. KIRALY**, HAZLETON, PA

FROM: PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER/TEAMSTERS, CORRECTIONS  
TO: PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS  
EFFECTIVE: AUGUST 14, 2014

**HIRES:**

**ASHLEY L. BARTEK**, LANSFORD, PA – PART-TIME DISPATCHER/TRAINEE, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER – EFFECTIVE AUGUST 25, 2014.

**ANGELA MOWERY**, PALMERTON, PA – PART-TIME COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSE I, AREA AGENCY ON AGING – EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 3, 2014.

**SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUESTS:**

**AREA AGENCY ON AGING**

**CHERI MAE SANTORE**

**SUSAN ZEIGLER**

**CINDY BIZARRE**

**ANNE HORRIGAN**

**DEENA FITAL**

DOCUMENTING HSIM AND HSOA ACTIVITIES IN SAMS/OMNIA WEBINAR  
PALMERTON, PA

**CHERI MAE SANTORE**

**CINDY BIZARRE**

**GLENN SCHOCH**

NURSING HOME TRANSITION WEBINAR  
PALMERTON, PA

**ANNE HORRIGAN**

**DEENA FITAL**

**FRANCINE CRAIGIE**

2014-2015 SENIOR COMMUNITY CENTER GRANTS WEBINAR  
PALMERTON, PA

**CORRECTIONS**

**JOSEPH G. GROSS**

**ROBERTA KENNEDY**

PIMCC NURSES SEMINAR

HARRISBURG PA

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

**COURT SEMINAR/TRAINING ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

**JUVENILE PROBATION**

**JANELLE BALLIET**

**JOSEPH GRECO**

CHILD AND ADOLESCENT PSYCHIATRIC DISORDERS, VIOLENCE AND TREATMENT – MAKING SENSE OF IT ALL  
STATE COLLEGE, PA

COST: CONFERENCE FEE \$110 PER PERSON, LODGING, MEALS

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PERSONNEL REPORT DATED  
AUGUST 21, 2014.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

THE BRIDGE CREW REPORTS FOR THE WEEKS ENDING AUGUST 17, 2014 WERE RECEIVED FROM LIQUID  
FUELS COORDINATOR, BRITTANY KLOTZ.

CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED REGARDING THE FOLLOWING PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF  
ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION PERMIT APPLICATION:

DELAWARE & LEHIGH NATIONAL HERITAGE CORRIDOR

COMPLETENESS NOTIFICATION

JIM THORPE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE, APPLICATION #E13-178

APS ID #846892, AUTH ID#1032880

A COMMUNICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION  
INFORMING THAT CONCRETE CORING COMPANY, INCORPORATED HAS BEEN AWARDED CONTRACT NO.  
99493, DISTRICT WIDE, AWPM FY 13-14, REPAIR AND/OR INSTALLATION OF ALL-WEATHER PAVEMENT  
MARKERS (AWPMS) ON VARIOUS STATE ROUTES IN VARIOUS MUNICIPALITIES WITHIN BERKS, CARBON,  
LEHIGH, MONROE, NORTHAMPTON AND SCHUYLKILL COUNTIES.

**ADVERTISING REQUESTS:**

**#14-291 BIDS/SALE OF PROPERTY/PACKERTON:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF THE  
SALE OF PROPERTY SPECIFICALLY KNOWN AS PACKERTON YARDS LOCATED IN THE BOROUGH OF  
LEHIGHTON AND TOWNSHIP OF MAHONING CONSISTING OF 71.54 ACRES AT A MINIMUM BID PRICE OF  
\$300,000.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	ABSTAINED
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**#14-292 FARMLAND PRESERVATION/MEETINGS:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF A PUBLIC NOTICE SCHEDULING CARBON COUNTY FARMLAND PRESERVATION BOARD MEETINGS TO BE HELD SEPTEMBER 9 AND OCTOBER 14, 2014.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK ABSTAINED

GERHARD YES

NOTHSTEIN YES

**CHILDREN & YOUTH:****#14-293 AGREEMENTS:**

FY 2014-15 PURCHASE OF SERVICE AGREEMENTS WERE SUBMITTED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROVIDERS:

**PROVIDER: BRIAN ALBOUCQ., DBA-HOMESTEAD FAMILY SERVICES****FY 14-15**

COUNSELING-PER HOUR

\$65.00/PER DIEM

**PROVIDER: CARBON COUNTY RIGHT FROM THE START****FY 14-15**

COUNSELING-ANNUALLY

\$20,000.00/PER DIEM

**PROVIDER: JUSTICE WORKS YOUTH CARE****FY 14-15****VIP-VIOLATION INITIATIVE PROGRAM**

VIP FULL (5+DAYS OF CONTACT)

\$70.00/PER DIEM

VIP INTENSIVE (3-4 DAYS OF CONTACT)

\$45.00/PER DIEM

VIP STANDARD (2 DAYS OR LESS OF CONTACT)

\$20.00/PER DIEM

THINKING FOR A CHANGE (T4C)

\$240.00/PER DIEM

\*UP TO 10 PARTICIPANTS PER GROUP, 1 TWO HR SESSION PER WEEK,

8 WEEK CYCLE

THINKING FOR A CHANGE (T4C)\*-INCLUDING TRANSPORTATION

\$240.00/PER DIEM

INDIRECT TRAVEL/NO SHOW/PHONE CALLS/CANCELLATIONS-HOURLY

\$30.00/PER DIEM

FGDM-SUCCESSFUL CONFERENCE

\$3,000.00/PER DIEM

FGDM-SUCCESSFUL REFERRAL BUT NO CONFERENCE

\$1,000.00/PER DIEM

FGDM-UNSUCCESSFUL REFERRAL

\$250.00/PER DIEM

STOPP-SHORT-TERM THERAPEUTIC OUTREACH TO PREVENT PLACEMENT

\$80.00/PER DIEM

JUST CARE

\$75.00/PER DIEM

**PROVIDER: FORENSIC TREATMENT SERVICES****FY 14-15**

INDIVIDUAL THERAPY-HOURLY-DOCTORAL/MASTER'S

\$92.00/PER HOUR

IND THERAPY-HOURLY-FORENSIC COUNSELOR (BACHELOR'S/MASTER'S)

\$82.50/PER HOUR

GROUP THERAPY

\$25.50/PER HOUR

EXPERT TESTIMONY/COURT TIME-HOURLY-DOCTOR

\$155.00/PER HOUR

EXPERT TESTIMONY COURT TIME-HOURLY-COUNSELOR

\$105.00/PER HOUR

(DOCTOR)

\$155.00/PER HOUR

(COUNSELOR)

\$105.00/PER HOUR

PSYCHOLOGICAL EVAL (UP TO 6 HOURS)

\$950.00/PER HOUR

PSYCHOLOGICAL EVAL (OVER 6 HOURS)-HOURLY

\$100.00/PER HOUR

POLYGRAPH EXAM & REPORT-SPECIFIC INCIDENT

\$325.00/PER HOUR

POLYGRAPH EXAM & REPORT-SEXUAL HISTORY

\$450.00/PER HOUR

POLYGRAPH EXAM & REPORT-MAINTENANCE/MONITORING

\$275.00/PER HOUR

SEX OFFENDER EVALUATION & REPORT	\$950-\$1,250.00 VARIES/PER HOUR
COUPLES/MARITAL/FAMILY COUNSELING	\$95.00/PER HOUR
VIOLENT OFFENDER EVAL & REPORT	\$950-\$1,250.00 VARIES/PER HOUR
PSYCHOSEXUAL EVAL & REPORT	\$550-\$750.00 VARIES/PER HOUR
PSYCHOSEXUAL/NON OFFENDER EVAL & REPORT	\$550-\$750.00 VARIES/PER HOUR
ABLE (SEXUAL AROUSAL TESTING) & REPORT	\$425.00/PER HOUR
REPORT/SUMMARY WRITING/REVIEW OF RECORDS-HOURLY	\$75.00/PER HOUR
NO SHOW FEE-THERAPY	50% OF RATE/PER HOUR
NO SHOW FEE-POLYGRAPH	50% OF RATE/PER HOUR
NO SHOW FEE-PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION	\$150.00/PER HOUR
CONSULTATION/TREATMENT PLANNING-PER HOUR	\$75.00/PER HOUR

**PROVIDER: VICTIM'S RESOURCE CENTER**

**FY 14-15**

INSTRUCTIONAL FEE (SIX SESSIONS)	\$1,394.00/PER DIEM
TOTAL COST FOR FOUR SERIES	\$5,576.00/PER DIEM

**PROVIDER: VALLIERE & COUNSELING ASSOCIATES**

**FY 14-15**

INDIVIDUAL THERAPY-HOURLY-DOCTORAL/MASTER'S	\$92.00/PER HOUR
IND THERAPY-HOURLY-FORENSIC COUNSELOR (BACHELOR'S/ MASTERS'S)	\$82.50/PER HOUR
GROUP THERAPY	\$25.50/PER HOUR
EXPERT TESTIMONY/COURT TIME-HOURLY-DOCTOR	\$155.00/PER HOUR
EXPERT TESTIMONY/COURT TIME-HOURLY-COUNSELOR	\$105.00/PER HOUR
CANCELLATION FEE-EXPERT TESTIMONY/COURT TIME-24 HRS NOTICE (DOCTOR)	\$155.00/PER HOUR
CANCELLATION FEE -EXPERT TESTIMONY/COURT TIME-24 HRS NOTICE (COUNSELOR)	\$105.00/PER HOUR
PSYCHOLOGICAL EVAL (UP TO 6 HOURS)	\$950.00/PER HOUR
PSYCHOLOGICAL EVAL (OVER 6 HOURS)-HOURLY	\$100.00/PER HOUR
POLYGRAPH EXAM & REPORT-SPECIFIC INCIDENT	\$325.00/PER HOUR
POLYGRAPH EXAM & REPORT-SEXUAL HISTORY	\$450.00/PER HOUR
POLYGRAPH EXAM & REPORT-MAINTENANCE/MONITORING	\$275.00/PER HOUR
SEX OFFENDER EVALUATION & REPORT	\$950-\$1,250.00/PER HOUR
COUPLES/MARITAL/FAMILY COUNSELING	\$95.00/PER HOUR
VIOLENT OFFENDER EVAL & REPORT	\$950-\$1,250.00/PER HOUR
PSYCHOSEXUAL EVAL & REPORT	\$550-\$750/PER HOUR
PSYCHOSEXUAL/NON OFFENDER EVAL & REPORT	\$550-\$750/PER HOUR
ABLE (SEXUAL AROUSAL TESTING) & REPORT	\$425.00/PER HOUR
REPORT/SUMMARY WRITING/REVIEW OF RECORDS-HOURLY	\$75.00/PER HOUR
NO SHOW FEE-THERAPY	50% OF RATE
NO SHOW FEE-POLYGRAPH	50% OF RATE
NO SHOW FEE-PSYCHOLOGICAL EVALUATION	\$150.00/PER HOUR
CONSULTATION/TREATMENT PLANNING-PER HOUR	\$75.00/PER HOUR

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE AGREEMENTS AS LISTED.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
 GERHARD YES  
 NOTHSTEIN YES

**HUMAN SERVICES:**

**TEFAP PROGRAM:**

#14-294 **AGREEMENT/SECOND HARVEST:**

THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE COMMUNITY ACTION COMMITTEE OF THE LEHIGH VALLEY, INCORPORATED (SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK) TO PROVIDE SERVICES AS LEAD AGENCY UNDER THE CARBON COUNTY TEMPORARY EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (TEFAP) WAS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL AND EXECUTION. THE TERM OF THE AGREEMENT SHALL BE FROM 10/01/14 TO 9/30/15.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH SECOND HARVEST FOOD BANK.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**LIQUID FUELS:**

**#14-295 BRIDGE #16/AGREEMENT:**

**CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO RATIFY APPROVAL OF A WAGE RATE INCREASE FOR THE TCIS-2 (TRANSPORTATION CONSTRUCTION INSPECTION SUPERVISOR) UNDER THE AGREEMENT WITH NAVARRO & WRIGHT CONSULTING ENGINEERS, INCORPORATED OF NEW CUMBERLAND, PENNSYLVANIA, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014, AS OUTLINED IN SOL #482-13-33 (STRIKE OFF LETTER) ISSUED BY THE PA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - CARBON COUNTY BRIDGE #16 PROJECT, TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP, AGREEMENT #057380.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:**

**#14-296 FARMLAND PRESERVATION/APPRAISAL:**

A COMMUNICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THE DIRECTOR OF THE OFFICE OF PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT ENCLOSING A PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY PERSON AGENCY, INCORPORATED, LEHIGHTON, PENNSYLVANIA, FOR APPRAISAL OF THE RICHARD FEDOR FARM PROPERTY, PALMERTON, PENNSYLVANIA, AT THE QUOTED PRICE OF \$2,000.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL AS SUBMITTED BY THE PERSON AGENCY.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**RAILROAD STATION:**

**#14-297 PROPOSAL/KEYSTONE ENGINEERING:**

A PROPOSAL, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,700, WAS SUBMITTED BY KEYSTONE ENGINEERING GROUP, MALVERN, PENNSYLVANIA, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATIVE TO COST ESTIMATING AND GRANT APPLICATION SUPPORT FOR A PROPOSED PROJECT CONSISTING OF ELECTRICAL AND FIRE ALARM UPGRADES AT THE RAILROAD STATION.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL OF KEYSTONE ENGINEERING GROUP AS SUBMITTED.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

**CCCF/MEDICAL SERVICES AGREEMENT:**

**#14-298 BLUE MOUNTAIN HEALTH SYSTEM:**

THE SOLICITOR PRESENTED AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND BLUE MOUNTAIN HEALTH SYSTEM TO PROVIDE MEDICAL SERVICES AT THE CARBON COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY, EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2014 FOR A PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS, WITH AUTOMATIC RENEWAL FOR SUCCEEDING PERIODS OF TWO (2) YEARS ON THE SAME TERMS AND CONDITIONS, WITH EITHER PARTY HAVING THE RIGHT TO TERMINATE UPON NINETY (90) DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE. COST: YEAR 1 - \$48,787.08 (\$4,065.59/MONTH; YEAR 2 - \$50,200.08 (\$4,183.34/MONTH)

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH BLUE MOUNTAIN HEALTH SYSTEM

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**TAX ASSESSMENT:**

**#14-299 TAX REFUND:**

A COMMUNICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THE TAX ASSESSMENT BUREAU VERIFYING THAT THE FOLLOWING TAXPAYER IS REQUESTING A REFUND OF REAL ESTATE TAXES:

**MUNICIPALITY:** FRANKLIN TOWNSHIP

RENNINGER, AARON & RENEE L.  
434 HEMLOCK TRAIL  
LEHIGHTON, PA 18235

**CODE:** 6-12-10594

**PROPERTY RECORD CARD #:** 40A-12-A11

**REASON:** TAXPAYER APPROVED FOR VETERANS EXEMPTION. REFUND BASED ON ASSESSMENT OF 70,600.

**YEAR:** 2014

**TOTAL REFUND DUE:** \$709.18

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE PAYMENT OF THE TAX REFUND AS LISTED.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:**

MR. O'GUREK COMMENTED ON THE SALE OF THE PACKERTON YARDS PROPERTY, STATING THAT HE IS IN ACCORD WITH HIS FELLOW COMMISSIONERS ON THE SALE OF THE 71 ACRE TRACT AND ABSTAINED ONLY DUE TO THE CONFLICT WITH HIS EMPLOYMENT AT THE TIMES NEWS. HE NOTED THAT THE COMPREHENSIVE PLANS FOR LONG RANGE PLANNING FOR CARBON COUNTY, PRIMARILY CENTRAL CARBON COUNTY WHICH IS THE LEHIGHTON AREA, CALLED FOR THE REVITALIZATION AND REDEVELOPMENT OF PACKERTON YARDS TO BE PARTLY RESPONSIBLE FOR THE REVITALIZATION OF DOWNTOWN LEHIGHTON AND OTHER AREAS OF CARBON COUNTY

MR. NOTHSTEIN ADDED THAT AN AGREEMENT OF SALE HAS BEEN WRITTEN UP ADDRESSING

ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES. SOME DEED RESTRICTIONS INCLUDE:

- TEMPORARY OR PERMANENT STORAGE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS ARE PROHIBITED
- PLACEMENT AND USE OF REGULATED FILL MATERIALS AS DEFINED BY THE DEP ARE PROHIBITED
- GRANTEE IS REQUIRED TO COMPLY WITH COMBINED REMEDIAL INVESTIGATION REPORT CLEAN-UP DATED JULY, 2010 AS PREPARED BY HRD ENGINEERING INCORPORATED
- RESTRICTED TRANSFER FACILITIES FOR SOLID WASTE ARE PROHIBITED

MR. GERHARD THANKED FELLOW COMMISSIONERS FOR WORKING THROUGH THIS CONTROVERSIAL PROJECT AND COMMENTED ON REASONS FOR THE RESTRICTIONS.

MR. GERHARD ALSO REPORTED ON THE BAT SITUATION AT THE COURTHOUSE AND THE STEPS BEING TAKEN TO PREVENT THE BATS FROM ENTERING.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD,

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED AT 10:51 A.M.

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ELOISE K. AHNER,  
CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

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WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN