

THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENE
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 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY MARIANNE BUTRIE.

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 DECEMBER 11, 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 DECEMBER 18, 2014.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
 GERHARD YES
 NOTHSTEIN YES

SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS:

THERE WERE NO SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS.

EXPENDITURE APPROVAL:

PAYROLL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT:

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL CHECK NUMBERS 64160 THROUGH 64213 AND DIRECT DEPOSIT CHECK NUMBERS 5086264 THROUGH 5086588 FOR THE NET PAYROLL PAID THROUGH THE PAYROLL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT FOR ALL COUNTY FUNDS TOTALING \$317,632.57 (PAYROLL DATED DECEMBER 12, 2014).

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO RATIFY PAYMENT OF THE PAYROLL CHECKS AS LISTED ABOVE.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
 GERHARD YES
 NOTHSTEIN YES

GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT:

APPROVAL OF CHECK NUMBERS 112134 THROUGH 112279 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 171,579.70
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$ 17,381.67
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 4,280.15
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$ 414.23
LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND	\$ 2,476.53
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$ 6,456.61
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$ 54,255.88
HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY FUND	\$ 995.75
DOMESTIC RELATIONS 4D FUND	\$ 423.94
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT FUND	\$ 74.77
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 1,484.90
CENTRALIZED BOOKING FUND	\$ 17.28
CDBG FUND	\$ 31,827.80
FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND	\$ 1,748.98
PAYROLL FUND	\$ 42,984.17
TAX CLAIM FUND	\$ 119.48
TOTAL:	\$ 336,521.84

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 PALMERTON TELEPHONE
COMPANY, HE ABSTAINED.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT
DATED DECEMBER 12, 2014 REPORTING BALANCES AS FOLLOWS:

BALANCES AS OF DECEMBER 12, 2014:

GENERAL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$	2,213.90
PAYROLL CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$	163,762.68
GENERAL FUND SP NOW	\$	7,148,629.17
OPERATING RESERVE	\$	928,400.13
RENTAL PROPERTY	\$	248,781.60
SOLID WASTE FUND	\$	173,909.00
9-1-1 FUND	\$	79,499.18
PARKING FUND	\$	1,109,452.22
ACT 78 FUND	\$	98,412.29
ACT 56 FUND	\$	1,103,561.19
LIQUID FUELS	\$	263,729.79
AREA AGENCY ON AGING	\$	399,168.92
CHILDREN & YOUTH	\$	269,025.93
HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY	\$	27,085.48
DOMESTIC RELATIONS	\$	15,006.78
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT	\$	10,120.48
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$	61,482.54
CARBON TRANSPORTATION	\$	194.71
HAZMAT FUND	\$	128,547.90
OFFENDER SUPERVISION	\$	546,466.40
ADULT ELECTRONIC MONITORING	\$	149,432.32
SMALL BUSINESS EXPANSION LOAN	\$	70,519.98
FARMLAND PRESERVATION	\$	167,333.25
HUMAN SERVICES DEVELOPMENT	\$	12,813.93
HOMELESS GRANT	\$	5,122.53
CENTRALIZED BOOKING	\$	65,201.94
VICTIM WITNESS	\$	14,702.61
RECORDER OF DEEDS	\$	34,935.28
RECORDS IMPROVEMENTS	\$	14,843.03
JUVENILE SUPERVISION FEE	\$	26,894.58
COMMUNITY SERVICE FEE	\$	14,902.43
PROTHONOTARY AUTOMATION	\$	15,443.40
AFFORDABLE HOUSING	\$	248,595.84
CLERK OF COURTS	\$	10,589.59
REGISTER OF WILLS	\$	11,569.29
JUVENILE ELECTRONIC MONITORING	\$	4,189.92
VITAL STATISTICS	\$	39,243.57
SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION FUND	\$	47,200.72
LIQUID FUELS/ACT 89 FUND	\$	21,235.65
LIQUID FUELS/ACT 44 FUND	\$	80,524.45
ACT 13 BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$	149,553.34
VICTIMS SERVICE FUND	\$	21,702.43
HOTEL EXCISE TAX FUND	\$	74,551.75
CDBG FUND	\$	31,903.18

DEBT SERVICE	\$ 1,688,963.88
CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$ 288,503.42
FRINGE BENEFITS	\$ 601,939.64
TAX CLAIM	\$ 425,150.40

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

PERSONNEL REPORT:

RETIREMENT:

CHRISTOPHER J. KEGEL, PALMERTON, PA – CHIEF REAL ESTATE CLERK, SHERIFF'S OFFICE – EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2015.

RESIGNATION:

JASON A. HELMER, SUMMIT HILL, PA – 911 OPERATOR, COMMUNICATIONS – EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 29, 2014.

EMPLOYMENT SEPARATIONS:

BARBARA J. HOUSER, TAMAQUA, PA – CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS – EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 17, 2014.

MARGARET A. HOUSER, TAMAQUA, PA – CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS – EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 17, 2014.

CHANGES OF STATUS:

RACHEL A. SINGELSETH, KUNKLETOWN, PA

FROM: COUNTY CASEWORKER I, CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES
 TO: COUNTY CASEWORKER II, CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES
 EFFECTIVE: DECEMBER 30, 2014

MICHAEL S. GREEK, NESQUEHONING, PA

FROM: SECOND ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
 TO: FIRST ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
 EFFECTIVE: JANUARY 1, 2015

CYNTHIA DYDRA-HATTON, LEHIGHTON, PA

FROM: THIRD ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
 TO: SECOND ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY, DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
 EFFECTIVE: JANUARY 1, 2015

CARL R. NOTHSTEIN, LEHIGHTON, PA

FROM: SEASONAL PARK MAINTENANCE, PARKS
 TO: TEMPORARY SERGEANT, CORRECTIONS & SEASONAL PARK MAINTENANCE, PARKS
 EFFECTIVE: JANUARY 5, 2015

INTERNSHIP:

ADULT PROBATION OFFICE

KORY LOPATA, NESQUEHONING, PA
 LEBANON VALLEY COLLEGE, CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR
 FROM: JANUARY 12, 2015

TO: MAY 2, 2015

SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUESTS:

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

CHERI MAE SANTORE

CONNIE LYNN

SUSAN ZEIGLER

OPTIONS TRAINING FOR SUPERVISORS

STROUDSBURG, PA

COST: CONFERENCE FEE \$25 PER PERSON, MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

DISTRICT ATTORNEY

TIMOTHY NOTHSTEIN

JEFFREY ASTER

MANDATORY IN-SERVICE-TRAINING

ALLENTOWN, PA

COST: CONFERENCE FEE \$120 PER PERSON

CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES

SALLIANNE NEWTON

ANISSA NUNEMACHER

PCYA QUARTERLY MEETING

STATE COLLEGE, PA

COST: CONFERENCE FEE \$100, LODGING, MEALS

CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES

CATHERINE NONNEMACHER

CHARTING THE COURSE TOWARDS PERMANENCY:

INTRODUCTION TO PENNSYLVANIA'S CHILD WELFARE SYSTEM

IDENTIFYING CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT

USING INTERACTIONAL HELPING SKILLS TO ACHIEVE LASTING CHANGE

IN HOME SAFETY ASSESSMENT AND MANAGEMENT

RISK ASSESSMENT

CASE PLANNING WITH FAMILIES

THE COURT PROCESS

ASSESSING SAFETY IN OUT OF HOME CARE

OUT OF HOME PLACEMENT AND PERMANENCY PLANNING

MAKING PERMANENT CONNECTIONS-OUTCOME FOR PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

PITTSTON, PA

COST: MEALS

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PERSONNEL REPORT DATED
DECEMBER 18, 2014.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES*
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

* COMMISSIONER NOTHSTEIN VOTED YES ON THE PERSONNEL REPORT,
WITH THE EXCEPTION OF CARL NOTHSTEIN, HE ABSTAINED

CORRESPONDENCE:

MINUTES RECEIVED: NOVEMBER 18, 2014 MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION.

THE NOVEMBER 2014 MONTHLY REPORT WAS RECEIVED FROM THE CARBON COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS.

CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INFORMING THAT ALL RELEVANT CLOSEOUT MATERIALS HAVE BEEN RECEIVED AND FOUND TO BE ACCEPTABLE FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) FY 2006, CARBON COUNTY CONTRACT #C0000022747.

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

AMPAL, INCORPORATED, PALMERTON, PA
AIR QUALITY OPERATING PERMIT #13-00013
MAHONING TOWNSHIP
GENERAL PERMIT, REX ROAD BRIDGE REPAIR

ADVERTISING REQUEST:

#14-447 FARMLAND PRESERVATION/MEETINGS:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF A PUBLIC NOTICE SCHEDULING THE FOLLOWING MEETINGS OF THE CARBON COUNTY FARMLAND PRESERVATION BOARD: JANUARY 13, 2015; FEBRUARY 10, 2015; MARCH 10, 2015; APRIL 14, 2015; MAY 12, 2015.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK ABSTAIN
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

INSURANCE:

#14-448 WORKERS COMPENSATION:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL FROM THE HOUSING AND REDEVELOPMENT INSURANCE EXCHANGE (HARIE) FOR WORKERS COMPENSATION INSURANCE FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2015 IN THE AMOUNT OF \$398,329 (INCREASE OF \$14,529 FROM 2014).

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

LIQUID FUELS:

#14-449 BRIDGE #16/SUPPLEMENT:

PART III CONSTRUCTION SERVICES:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT, AS PREPARED BY PA DOT, WITH CARBON ENGINEERING, INCORPORATED, FOR PART III SERVICES DURING CONSTRUCTION DUE TO TIME EXTENSIONS AND NEW COMPLETION DATE OF MAY 12, 2015:

		NEW TOTAL (ALL PHASES)
CEI INCREASE \$5,195.16	NEW PART III TOTAL: \$38,914.72	MAXIMUM AMOUNT \$641,071.18

RE: REPLACEMENT OF CARBON COUNTY BRIDGE #16, KOCH ROAD, T-447, TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
 GERHARD YES
 NOTHSTEIN YES

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

AGENCY ON AGING:

#14-450 CONTRACT ADDENDA:

COMMUNICATIONS WERE RECEIVED FROM THE AREA AGENCY ON AGING ENCLOSING FOR APPROVAL AND EXECUTION AMENDMENTS TO CONTRACTS BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF CARBON, CARBON COUNTY AREA AGENCY ON AGING AND THE FOLLOWING ENTITIES TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE PERSONAL CARE AND HOME SUPPORT SERVICES AT AN INCREASED RATE FROM \$17.96 TO \$18.32/HOUR, EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2014 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016:

- AARON HEALTHCARE, INCORPORATED, ALLENTOWN, PA
- ACCESSING INDEPENDENCE/ILS, LANCASTER, PA
- ALMA HEALTH D.B.A. MED STAFFERS, CARLISLE, PA
- ARN, INCORPORATED, HAZLETON, PA
- BEHAVIORAL HEALTH ASSOCIATES, INCORPORATED, LEHIGHTON, PA
- BRIGHTSTAR OF STROUDSBURG, PA
- CARE LINK HOME CARE, LLC, WEATHERLY, PA
- CAREGIVERS AMERICA, LLC, CLARKS SUMMIT, PA
- GUARDIAN HOME CARE SPECIALTIES, BROCKWAY, PA
- IN-HOME REFERRAL, INCORPORATED, LEHIGHTON, PA
- J. R. FAYASH D.B.A. CARING SENIOR SERVICE, EFFORT, PA
- MAXIMUM CARE, INCORPORATED, WHITEHALL, PA
- PEACE OF HEART IN HOME CARE, LLC, JIM THORPE, PA
- R & L HELPMATES, INCORPORATED, HAZLETON, PA

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE AMENDMENTS WITH THE LISTED PROVIDERS.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
 GERHARD YES
 NOTHSTEIN YES

CCCF/AGREEMENT:

#14-451 D&A COMMISSION/TREATMENT SPECIALIST:

AN AGREEMENT WITH THE CARBON-MONROE-PIKE DRUG & ALCOHOL COMMISSION TO PROVIDE DRUG AND ALCOHOL TREATMENT SERVICES AT THE CARBON COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY FOR A TERM BEGINNING 1/01/2015 THROUGH 12/31/2015 AT A COST OF \$54,000.00 WAS SUBMITTED FOR BOARD ACTION.

THE AGREEMENT PROVIDES FOR 40 HOURS PER WEEK OF SERVICES FROM THE COMMISSION AT THE FACILITY WHICH EMPHASIZES REHABILITATION BY PROVIDING DRUG AND ALCOHOL TREATMENT SERVICES TO INCARCERATED INDIVIDUALS AS WELL AS INTERACTION WITH THE PA BOARD OF PROBATION AND PAROLE, THE CARBON COUNTY PROBATION DEPARTMENT, PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE AND PRIVATE ATTORNEYS.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH THE D&A COMMISSION.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
 GERHARD YES
 NOTHSTEIN YES

MAGISTRATES/LANSFORD:

#14-452 AGREEMENT/HEATING OIL:

THE SOLICITOR PRESENTED AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN GAIL CHEETY, EXECUTRIX OF THE ESTATE OF DANIEL B. BRUNDA, ALSO KNOWN AS DONALD BRUNDA, DECEASED, AND THE COUNTY OF CARBON IN REGARDS TO THE COUNTY REIMBURSING THE SELLER \$692.77 FOR HEATING OIL REMAINING ON THE PROPERTY PURCHASED BY THE COUNTY AT 417 EAST RIDGE STREET, LANSFORD, PENNSYLVANIA (MAGISTRATES OFFICE) AT THE DATE OF CLOSING.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE AGREEMENT WITH GAIL CHEETY.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

FURTHER BUSINESS:

LP GAS CONTRACT:

#14-453 AMERIGAS:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO NOT RENEW THE AGREEMENT WITH AMERIGAS PROPANE, L.P., HAZLE TOWNSHIP, PENNSYLVANIA, FOR THE SALE AND DELIVERY OF LP GAS TO VARIOUS COUNTY LOCATIONS FOR AN ADDITIONAL TERM.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

ADVERTISING:

#14-454 BIDS/LP GAS DELIVERY:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR INVITATION TO BID FOR LP GAS DELIVERY AT VARIOUS COUNTY LOCATIONS WAIVING REQUIREMENTS OF BID BOND AND PERFORMANCE BOND.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK ABSTAIN
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

THE CHAIRMAN NOTED THAT THE NEXT MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WILL BE HELD ON MONDAY, JANUARY 5, 2015 FOLLOWING THE ANNUAL SALARY BOARD MEETING. THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS WILL COMMENCE JANUARY 15, 2015.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD,

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED AT 10:43 A.M.

ELOISE K. AHNER,
CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN