

THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENED THIS DATE AT 10:30 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, COUNTY SHERIFF, DIRECTOR OF ELECTIONS, AND ASSISTANT COURT ADMINISTRATOR HAMM WERE ALSO PRESENT.

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

A MOMENT OF SILENCE WAS OBSERVED.

PRAYER:

COMMISSIONER NOTHSTEIN 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 SEPTEMBER 1, 2016.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

GUESTS (CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS):

LINDA CHRISTMAN, TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP
O/B/O SAVE CARBON COUNTY

RE: THANKING BOARD FOR LEADERSHIP AND SUPPORT FOR THE PAST TWO (2) YEARS REGARDING THE PROPOSED PENNEAST PIPELINE ISSUE, AND IN PARTICULAR, THE LATEST COMMUNICATION SENT TO FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION (FERC) URGING THEM TO WITHDRAW THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

BARB TIMBERS

RE: OPERATION OF SIDECAR (TOURIST SERVICE)

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 SEPTEMBER 8, 2016.

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 66987 THROUGH 67066 AND DIRECT DEPOSIT CHECK NUMBERS 5099388 THROUGH 5099726 FOR THE NET PAYROLL PAID THROUGH THE PAYROLL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT FOR ALL COUNTY FUNDS TOTALING \$330,031.80 (PAYROLL DATED SEPTEMBER 2, 2016).

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 125283 THROUGH 125360 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 221,569.86
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$ 644.66
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$ 1,461.85
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$ 1,130.52
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$ 9,549.79
DOMESTIC RELATIONS 4D FUND	\$ 2,216.76
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 4,018.00
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 1,007.90
HAZ-MAT RESPONSE FUND	\$ 40.01
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 5,173.00
PAYROLL FUND	\$ 44,010.25
TOTAL:	\$ 290,822.60

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 PENTELEDATA AND THE PALMERTON TELEPHONE
COMPANY, HE ABSTAINED.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT
DATED AUGUST 31, 2016 REPORTING BALANCES AS FOLLOWS:

BALANCES AS OF AUGUST 31, 2016:

GENERAL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$	1,332.44
PAYROLL CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$	25,197.08
GENERAL FUND SP NOW	\$	15,677,878.79
OPERATING RESERVE	\$	934,108.42
RENTAL PROPERTY	\$	199,935.46
PARKING FUND	\$	676,792.68
LIQUID FUELS	\$	415,946.83
AREA AGENCY ON AGING	\$	244,867.95
CHILDREN & YOUTH	\$	1,564,403.25
HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY	\$	32,614.78
DOMESTIC RELATIONS	\$	169,513.55
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT	\$	48,626.77
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$	249,053.06
CARBON TRANSPORTATION	\$	94,122.18
9-1-1 FUND	\$	1,051,095.80
HAZMAT FUND	\$	114,437.57
OFFENDER SUPERVISION	\$	457,771.32
ADULT ELECTRONIC MONITORING	\$	178,417.58
FARMLAND PRESERVATION	\$	123,382.91
HUMAN SERVICES DEVELOPMENT	\$	12,509.30
HOMELESS GRANT	\$	3.37
CENTRALIZED BOOKING	\$	77,561.47
VICTIM WITNESS	\$	6,351.03
RECORDER OF DEEDS	\$	30,208.89
RECORDS IMPROVEMENTS	\$	9,671.52
JUVENILE SUPERVISION FEE	\$	25,673.52
COMMUNITY SERVICE FEE	\$	12,607.10
PROTHONOTARY AUTOMATION	\$	34,300.88
AFFORDABLE HOUSING	\$	309,558.06
CLERK OF COURTS	\$	2,072.09
REGISTER OF WILLS	\$	11,325.91
JUVENILE ELECTRONIC MONITORING	\$	4,716.91
VITAL STATISTICS	\$	47,496.72
SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION FUND	\$	99,556.63
LIQUID FUELS/ACT 44 FUND	\$	206,177.24
ACT 13 BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$	337,725.51
VICTIMS SERVICE FUND	\$	47,823.98
HOTEL EXCISE TAX FUND	\$	33,757.24
CDBG FUND	\$	28.33
DEBT SERVICE	\$	2,031,444.23
CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$	906,737.94
FRINGE BENEFITS	\$	586,978.14
TAX CLAIM	\$	363,635.85

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

PERSONNEL REPORT:

HIRES:

PAUL J. KATTNER, JIM THORPE, PA – COUNTY CASEWORKER I, CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES – EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 26, 2016.

TARA A. SKRIMCOVSKY, JIM THORPE, PA – COUNTY CASEWORKER I, CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES – EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 26, 2016.

BRITTANI L. THOMPSON, LEHIGHTON, PA – PART-TIME DISPATCHER/TRAINEE, COMMUNICATIONS – EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 12, 2016.

COURT APPOINTMENT:

SHAWN M. JONES, SUMMIT HILL, PA – DOMESTIC RELATIONS OFFICER I, DOMESTIC RELATIONS – EFFECTIVE SEPTEMBER 26, 2016.

SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUEST:

SHERIFF

DANIEL M. LONG

JOSEPH V. HAGER

LOCAL COURT SECURITY COMMITTEE REGIONAL WORKSHOP

SCRANTON, PA

TAX ASSESSMENT

LEWIS GULLONE

KATHY MCGUIRE

2016 ASSESSORS' ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA FALL CONFERENCE

STATE COLLEGE, PA

COST: CONFERENCE FEE \$295 PER PERSON, LODGING, MEALS, MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

COURT SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUEST ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS:

ADULT PROBATION

RICHMOND PARSONS

COUNTY CHIEF ADULT PROBATION AND PAROLE OFFICERS ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA GENERAL BUSINESS MEETING

STATE COLLEGE, PA

COST: MEALS

DISTRICT JUSTICE

GAIL A. BERGER

WENDY SMELAS

2016 MDJS WORKSHOP

LEHIGHTON, PA

COST: MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PERSONNEL REPORT DATED SEPTEMBER 8, 2016.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

CORRESPONDENCE:

MINUTES RECEIVED: JULY 26, 2016 MEETING OF THE CARBON-MONROE-PIKE DRUG & ALCOHOL COMMISSION.

THE AUGUST 2016 MONTHLY REPORT WAS RECEIVED FROM THE CARBON COUNTY REGISTER OF WILLS.

A COPY OF CORRESPONDENCE SENT TO THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION (FERC) BY THE CARBON COUNTY COMMISSIONERS REGARDING THE COMMISSION'S REVIEW OF THE PROPOSED PENNEAST PIPELINE AND THE SIGNIFICANT IMPACTS IT WILL HAVE ON NATURAL RESOURCES LOCATED WITHIN CARBON COUNTY, AND URGING THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION TO WITHDRAW THE DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT.

A THANK YOU WAS RECEIVED FROM KIMBERLY BUBBENMOYER, RESIDENT OF PENN FOREST TOWNSHIP, FOR THE LETTER SENT TO FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION (FERC) POINTING OUT THE VARIOUS REASONS THE PIPELINE PROJECT SHOULD BE DELAYED AND/OR CANCELLED.

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

BELTZVILLE STATE PARK

RENEWAL OF NPDES PERMIT #PA 0032107

PA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

GENERAL PERMIT, REPLACEMENT OF EXISTING 48-INCH CULVERT,

MILL CREEK ACROSS STATE ROUTE 2004, SEGMENT 0140, OFFSET 1645,

LOWER TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP

A COMMUNICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES INFORMING THAT CARBON COUNTY'S FY 2016-2017 HUMAN SERVICES PLAN HAS BEEN RECEIVED AND APPROVED.

GIS/MAPPING:

#16-335 ESRI AGREEMENT:

A REQUEST WAS RECEIVED FROM JASON SHELLHAMMER, GIS/MAPPING DIRECTOR, FOR APPROVAL OF WEB GIS IMPLEMENTATION SUPPORT WITH ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS RESEARCH INSTITUTE, INCORPORATED (ESRI), REDLANDS, CALIFORNIA, FOR CONSULTING SERVICES FOR LEVERAGING A WEB GIS COMPRISED OF ARCGIS FOR SERVER AND ARCGIS ONLINE TO SUPPORT KEY COUNTY INITIATIVES.

ESRI WILL PROVIDE UP TO 40 HOURS OF CONSULTING SERVICES FOR A PRICE NOT TO EXCEED \$9,395.00.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE THE REQUEST AND ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL FROM ESRI AS SUBMITTED.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

INSURANCE:

#16-336 DELTA DENTAL:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF

THE RENEWAL AGREEMENT WITH DELTA DENTAL OF PENNSYLVANIA FOR THE COUNTY OF CARBON GROUP #02365 FOR THE TERM 01/01/17 TO 12/31/18, WITH THE COUNTY'S ADMINISTRATION FEE CHANGING TO \$5.10 PER ENROLLEE/MONTH (INCREASE OF \$0.20. PER ENROLLEE/MONTH).

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:

HOME PROGRAM:

#16-337 CHANGE ORDER:

A CHANGE ORDER WAS SUBMITTED FOR THE FOLLOWING HOME REHABILITATION PROGRAM CONTRACT WITH K. M. SENCY, PLUMBING, HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING, LLC, WEATHERLY, PENNSYLVANIA:

#DT 22-98-137 PLUMBING - DECREASES CONTRACT PRICE \$5,900.00 TO \$0.00

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE CHANGE ORDER TO THE CONTRACT WITH K. M. SENCY.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

PURCHASING:

#16-338 SHERIFF/UNIFORMS/ACCESSORIES:

A COMMUNICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PURCHASING MANAGER REQUESTING THE BOARD ACCEPT THE LOW PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP, INCORPORATED, COATESVILLE, PENNSYLVANIA FOR THE PURCHASE OF UNIFORMS AND ACCESSORIES FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT STAFF AT A TOTAL COST OF \$18,268.50.

THREE (3) COMPANIES WERE CONTACTED; ONE (1) WAS DISQUALIFIED DUE TO FAILURE TO RESPOND BY THE DEADLINE. ITEMS WILL BE PURCHASED THROUGH THE PENNSYLVANIA COSTARS COOPERATIVE PURCHASING PROGRAM.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY WITMER PUBLIC SAFETY GROUP TOTALING \$18,268.50.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

PARKS AGREEMENT/BANNER:

#16-339 JOSIAH WHITE:

A SPECIAL ACTIVITIES AGREEMENT FOR USE OF THE JOSIAH WHITE PARK, ALONG WITH BANNER AND GAZEBO PERMIT REQUESTS, WERE SUBMITTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

JIM THORPE TOURISM AGENCY

JIM THORPE FALL FOLIAGE FESTIVAL (OCTOBER 1 & 2, 8 & 9, 15 & 16, 2016)

BANNER REQUEST: 9/17/16 - 10/17/16

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE AGREEMENT, ETC. WITH THE JIM THORPE TOURISM AGENCY.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

PROCLAMATION:

#16-340 NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING SEPTEMBER 2016 AS NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH IN CARBON COUNTY:

PROCLAMATION #2016-08
NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH 2016

WHEREAS, MENTAL AND/OR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS AFFECT ALL COMMUNITIES NATIONWIDE, BUT WITH COMMITMENT AND SUPPORT, PEOPLE WITH THESE DISORDERS CAN ACHIEVE HEALTHY LIFESTYLES AND LEAD REWARDING LIVES IN RECOVERY. BY SEEKING HELP, PEOPLE WHO EXPERIENCE MENTAL AND/OR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS CAN EMBARK ON A NEW PATH TOWARD IMPROVED HEALTH AND OVERALL WELLNESS. THE FOCUS OF NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH THIS SEPTEMBER IS TO CELEBRATE THEIR JOURNEY WITH THE THEME JOIN THE VOICES OF RECOVERY: OUR FAMILIES, OUR STORIES, OUR RECOVERY!; AND

WHEREAS, RECOVERY MONTH SPREADS THE MESSAGE THAT BEHAVIORAL HEALTH IS ESSENTIAL TO ONE'S OVERALL HEALTH AND WELLNESS, AND THAT PREVENTION WORKS, TREATMENT IS EFFECTIVE AND PEOPLE RECOVER; AND

WHEREAS, THE IMPACT OF MENTAL AND/OR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS IS APPARENT IN OUR COMMUNITIES. IN THE STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA, OVER 42,000 PEOPLE ARE AFFECTED BY SOME TYPE OF SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER. THROUGH RECOVERY MONTH, PEOPLE BECOME MORE AWARE AND ABLE TO RECOGNIZE THE SIGNS OF MENTAL AND/OR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS, WHICH CAN LEAD MORE PEOPLE INTO NEEDED TREATMENT; AND

WHEREAS, MANAGING THE EFFECTS OF THESE CONDITIONS CAN HELP PEOPLE ACHIEVE HEALTHY LIFESTYLES, BOTH PHYSICALLY AND EMOTIONALLY; AND

WHEREAS, THE RECOVERY MONTH OBSERVANCE CONTINUES TO WORK TO IMPROVE THE LIVES OF THOSE AFFECTED BY MENTAL AND/OR SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS BY RAISING AWARENESS OF THESE DISEASES AND EDUCATING COMMUNITIES ABOUT THE PREVENTION, TREATMENT, AND RECOVERY RESOURCES THAT ARE AVAILABLE; AND

WHEREAS, FOR THE ABOVE REASONS, THE COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY ARE ASKING THE CITIZENS OF CARBON COUNTY TO JOIN IN CELEBRATING SEPTEMBER AS NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH.

THEREFORE, THE COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY HEREBY RECOGNIZE SEPTEMBER 2016 AS NATIONAL RECOVERY MONTH IN THE COUNTY OF CARBON AND CALL UPON OUR COMMUNITY TO OBSERVE THIS MONTH WITH PROGRAMS AND EVENTS THAT SUPPORT THIS YEAR'S OBSERVANCE.

ADOPTED BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 8TH DAY OF SEPTEMBER, 2016

CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

/S/ WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN
/S/ TOM J. GERHARD, VICE-CHAIRMAN
/S/ WILLIAM J. O'GUREK, MEMBER

ATTEST:

/S/ ELOISE AHNER, CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

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