

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 EXECUTIVE SECRETARY MARIANNE BUTRIE.

THE FIRST DEPUTY CONTROLLER, COUNTY TREASURER, AND THE COURT ADMINISTRATOR WERE ALSO PRESENT.

MOMENT OF SILENCE:

A MOMENT OF SILENCE WAS OBSERVED.

PRAYER:

COMMISSIONER O'GUREK 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 15, 2016.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

GUESTS (CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS):

THERE WERE NO GUESTS CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS.

COMMISSIONER O'GUREK INTRODUCED SHAWNA MCARDLE, MARIAN HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR.

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 22, 2016.

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 127624 THROUGH 127758 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 297,104.48
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$ 1,856.43
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$ 4,007.56
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$ 3,408.48
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$ 2,812.62
HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY FUND	\$ 33.97
DOMESTIC RELATIONS 4D FUND	\$ 159.21
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT FUND	\$ 800.00
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 1,588.89
CARBON TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FUND	\$ 290,111.00
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 3,348.75
HAZ-MAT RESPONSE FUND	\$ 22.71
CENTRALIZED BOOKING FUND	\$ 115.11
VICTIM/WITNESS FUND	\$ 378.79
HOTEL ROOM EXCISE TAX FUND	\$ 237,119.72
CDBG FUND	\$ 745.92
FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND	\$ 279.88
TAX CLAIM FUND	\$ <u>115.12</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 844,008.64

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, BLUE RIDGE COMMUNICATIONS, AND PENTELEDATA, HE ABSTAINED.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT DATED DECEMBER 16, 2016 REPORTING BALANCES AS FOLLOWS:

BALANCES AS OF DECEMBER 16, 2016:

GENERAL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 1,953.82
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PAYROLL CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 30,164.63
GENERAL FUND SP NOW	\$ 9,547,516.74
OPERATING RESERVE	\$ 934,921.55
RENTAL PROPERTY	\$ 226,475.15
PARKING FUND	\$ 655,414.54
LIQUID FUELS	\$ 465,917.59
AREA AGENCY ON AGING	\$ 421,136.59
CHILDREN & YOUTH	\$ 961,478.35
HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY FUND	\$ 23,873.16
DOMESTIC RELATIONS	\$ 72,309.64
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT	\$ 14,930.35
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 113,139.62
CARBON TRANSPORTATION	\$ 150.12
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 1,409,363.11
HAZMAT RESPONSE FUND	\$ 113,932.22
OFFENDER SUPERVISION	\$ 492,478.47
ADULT ELECTRONIC MONITORING	\$ 180,182.90
FARMLAND PRESERVATION	\$ 98,687.30
HUMAN SERVICES DEVELOPMENT	\$ 18,612.17
HOMELESS GRANT	\$ 194.82
CENTRALIZED BOOKING	\$ 84,847.60
VICTIM WITNESS	\$ 8,389.58
RECORDER OF DEEDS IMPROVEMENT	\$ 39,331.65
COUNTY RECORDS IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 15,744.25
JUVENILE SUPERVISION	\$ 28,185.34
COMMUNITY SERVICE FEE FUND	\$ 12,758.56
PROTHONOTARY AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 42,598.58
AFFORDABLE HOUSING FEE	\$ 335,897.76
CLERK OF COURTS AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 3,254.50
REGISTER OF WILLS	\$ 12,661.44
JUVENILE ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND	\$ 5,835.85
VITAL STATISTICS FUND	\$ 47,538.06
SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION FUND	\$ 98,199.58
LIQUID FUELS/ACT 44 FUND	\$ 262,518.46
ACT 13 BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 338,019.49
VICTIMS SERVICE FUND	\$ 52,731.90
HOTEL EXCISE TAX FUND	\$ 269,749.93
CDBG FUND	\$ 809.00
DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$ 1,637,974.35
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 2,978,317.43
FRINGE BENEFITS PAYMENT FUND	\$ 592,061.30
TAX CLAIM FUND	\$ 331,490.13

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
 GERHARD YES
 NOTHSTEIN YES

PERSONNEL REPORT:

RESIGNATIONS:

ROBERT S. FRYCKLUND, LEHIGHTON, PA – SOLICITOR, TREASURER – EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31, 2016.

LENORA J. GERA, WEATHERLY, PA – PART-TIME DISTRICT JUSTICE SECRETARY I, DISTRICT JUSTICES – EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 16, 2016.

CHANGE OF STATUS:

JANE F. ENGLER, JIM THORPE, PA

FROM: SOLICITOR, REGISTER OF WILLS/CLERK OF ORPHANS COURT
TO: SOLICITOR, REGISTER OF WILLS/CLERK OF ORPHANS COURT &
SOLICITOR, TREASURER
EFFECTIVE: JANUARY 1, 2017

SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUESTS:

AREA AGENCY ON AGING

DANYELLE NEIFERT

BOSTON UNIVERSITY ASSESSOR OVERVIEW & TIME FRAMES WEBINAR
DES MOINES UNIVERSITY MEDICAL TERMINOLOGY WEBINAR
NFCE DEFINITION WEBINAR
SLUMS WEBINAR
HARMONY TUTORIALS FOR SAMS.NET WEBINAR
SAMS MODULES FROM THE OLTL WEBINAR
NAT WEBINAR
NATIONAL VOTER REGISTRATION ACT PROCEDURES WEBINAR
PS INTAKE WORKERS TRAINING WEBINAR
PALMERTON, PA

SHERIFF

DANIEL M. LONG

BASIC SUPERVISORS COURSE
GRANTVILLE, PA

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PERSONNEL REPORT DATED
DECEMBER 22, 2016.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

CORRESPONDENCE:

MINUTES RECEIVED: NOVEMBER 15, 2016 MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION.

THE NOVEMBER 2016 MONTHLY REPORT WAS RECEIVED FROM THE CARBON COUNTY RECORDER OF DEEDS.

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

COLEMAN ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING O/B/O LEHIGHTON WATER AUTHORITY, LEHIGHTON, PA
WATER OBSTRUCTIONS & ENCROACHMENT PERMIT APPLICATION, TEMPORARY ROAD CROSSING
FOR DREDGING ACTIVITIES, PINE RUN INTAKE DAM PROJECT, PENN FOREST TOWNSHIP
PANTHER CREEK POWER LLC, NESQUEHONING, PA
PLAN APPROVAL APPLICATION #13-0003A; APS ID #928431, AUTH ID #1160873

NOTICE WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION ADVISING OF THE FIELD
INVESTIGATION AND CONFERENCE WHICH WAS HELD DECEMBER 15, 2016 TO DISCUSS THE APPLICATION
OF READING & NORTHERN RAILROAD FOR APPROVAL OF WARNING DEVICES AT THE PUBLIC CROSSING
(926-902P) WHERE INDUSTRIAL DRIVE WEST CROSSES AT GRADE, OF THE TRACKS OF READING &
NORTHERN RAILROAD, LOCATED IN NESQUEHONING BOROUGH.

NOTIFICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE CONSERVATION COMMISSION ADVISING OF THEIR REVIEW AND APPROVAL OF THE APPOINTMENTS OF JOSIAH BEHRENS III AS FARMER DIRECTOR, AND WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN AS COMMISSIONER REPRESENTATIVE ON THE CARBON COUNTY CONSERVATION DISTRICT.

CHILDREN & YOUTH:

#16-485 AGREEMENTS/2016-17:

A FY 2016-17 IN-HOME PURCHASE OF SERVICE PROVIDER AGREEMENT WAS SUBMITTED FOR THE FOLLOWING PROVIDER:

RENAISSANCE PSYCHOLOGICAL & COUNSELING
CORPORATION, INCORPORATED
KINGSTON, PA

PROVIDER: RENAISSANCE PSYCHOLOGICAL & COUNSELING CORP., INC

	<u>FY 16-17</u>
DIAGNOSTIC EVALUATION-PER HOUR	\$350.00/PER DIEM
INDIVIDUAL INTERVENTION SERVICES-PER HOUR	\$95.00/PER DIEM
FAMILY SERVICES-PER HOUR	\$95.00/PER DIEM
COLLATERAL FAMILY SERVICES-PER HOUR	\$95.00/PER DIEM
GROUP INTERVENTIONS* (PER INDIVIDUAL)-PER HOUR	\$30.00/PER DIEM
PROFESSIONAL CONSULTATION (HOSPITAL, PRISON, PROFESSIONAL)-PER HOUR	\$95.00/PER DIEM
COURT TESTIMONY-PER HOUR	\$95.00/PER DIEM

*GROUP THERAPY REQUIRES A MINIMUM OF FOUR CONSUMERS

ALL FEES ARE PER HOUR

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

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

COUNTY ENGINEER:

#16-486 CARBON ENGINEERING /REAPPOINTMENT:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE THE REAPPOINTMENT OF CARBON ENGINEERING, INCORPORATED AS COUNTY ENGINEER AND ACCEPT THE 2017 PROFESSIONAL FEE SCHEDULE (\$42.00 TO \$176.00/HOUR).

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

DCNR COMMUNITY CONSERVATION GRANT:

#16-487 LEHIGH RIVER WATERSHED MANAGEMENT PLAN:
GRANT EXTENSION:

A REQUEST WAS FORWARDED TO THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES FOR A FIVE (5) MONTH EXTENSION TO THE GRANT AGREEMENT TO ASSIST IN THE DEVELOPMENT OF THE LEHIGH RIVER WATERSHED CONSERVATION MANAGEMENT PLAN UPDATE.

IF APPROVED BY DCNR, THE AGREEMENT WOULD BE EXTENDED TO MAY 31, 2017 AND FUNDING WOULD REMAIN AT \$49,000.00.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO RATIFY SUBMISSION OF THE REQUEST FOR THE GRANT EXTENSION.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

D&L/PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE PROJECT:

#16-488 BID AWARD/CONSTRUCTION:

NOTIFICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION ADVISING UPON REVIEW OF THE BID RECEIVED FROM LATONA TRUCKING OF PITTSTON, PENNSYLVANIA, THE BID IS IN ORDER AND THEY RECOMMEND THE CONCURRENCE OF THE COUNTY TO AWARD THE CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE D&L PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE IN THE BOROUGH OF JIM THORPE, AT THE BID PRICE OF \$2,729,483.20, AND AUTHORIZE SAID AWARD THROUGH THE ECMS (ELECTRONIC CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT SYSTEM).

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO CONCUR WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION IN THE AWARD OF THE CONTRACT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF THE D&L PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE TO LATONA TRUCKING OF PITTSTON AT THE BID PRICE OF \$2,729,483.20.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
GERHARD YES
NOTHSTEIN YES

#16-489 TAP GRANT AMENDMENT/RESOLUTION:

FOR APPROVAL AND EXECUTION: AMENDMENT TO THE TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM (TAP) GRANT (#057435) BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A STEEL TRUSS PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE CROSSING THE LEHIGH RIVER IN THE BOROUGH OF JIM THORPE ON BEHALF OF THE DELAWARE & LEHIGH (D&L) NATIONAL HERITAGE CORRIDOR.

THE AMENDMENT PROVIDES ADDITIONAL FUNDING IN THE AMOUNT OF \$235,000 FOR A NEW TOTAL OF \$3,261,294.00.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT:

RESOLUTION #16-037
TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES PROGRAM GRANT

BE IT RESOLVED, BY THE AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CARBON, THE CHAIRMAN OR THE VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF SAID MUNICIPALITY BE AUTHORIZED AND DIRECTED TO EXECUTE FEDERAL AID REIMBURSEMENT AGREEMENT NO. 057435 AND ANY AND ALL SUPPLEMENTS OR AMENDMENTS TO SAID AGREEMENT WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR FUNDING ASSOCIATED WITH THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OVER THE LEHIGH RIVER IN THE BOROUGH OF JIM THORPE CONNECTING THE D&L TRAIL TO THE D&L TOWPATH.

THIS RESOLUTION WAS PASSED AT A REGULAR, PUBLIC MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HELD ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2016.

SIGNED:
/S/ WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN

ATTEST:
/S/ ELOISE K. AHNER, CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

DATE:
DECEMBER 22, 2016

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
 GERHARD YES
 NOTHSTEIN YES

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND EXECUTE THE AMENDMENT.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
 GERHARD YES
 NOTHSTEIN YES

GIS/MAPPING:

#16-490 ESRI AGREEMENT:

THE SOFTWARE MAINTENANCE AGREEMENT WITH ESRI, INCORPORATED, REDLANDS, CALIFORNIA, WAS SUBMITTED FOR THE YEAR 2017 LISTING THE FOLLOWING CHARGES: ASSESSMENT - \$400.00; ELECTIONS - \$300.00; LIQUID FUELS - \$10,900.00; 911 - \$3,500.00, FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$15,100.00 (NO INCREASE).

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

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
 GERHARD YES
 NOTHSTEIN YES

PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:

#16-491 CDBG 2016 SINGLE APPLICATION/RESOLUTION:

CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED FROM THE OFFICE OF PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REQUESTING APPROVAL OF THE FY 2016 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) SINGLE APPLICATION.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE THE FY 2016 CDBG SINGLE APPLICATION.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES
 GERHARD YES
 NOTHSTEIN YES

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING FY 2016 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECTS FOR ENTITLEMENT AND NON-ENTITLEMENT COMMUNITIES:

USE OF CDBG FUNDS-FY 2016
CARBON COUNTY ENTITLEMENT COMMUNITIES

Municipality	Project	Project Amount	Qualify
Franklin Township	Street Improvements		A survey was completed to qualify this project
	Replace existing culvert- Red Hill Road	\$69,752	
	Total Project Cost	\$69,752	
	Administration	\$15,311	
		\$85,063	
Jim Thorpe Borough	Water/Sewer Improvements		Benefits residents In block group 2 55.71%
	3 rd & 8 th Street Water Main	\$55,106.44	
	School Street Water Main	\$18,146.56	
	FY2016 & FY2017 (MFY)		
	Total Project Cost	\$73,253	
Administration	\$16,079		
		\$89,332	

Mahoning Township	Street Improvements		
	Reconstruct/Repave Pine & Douglas Streets (FY2016 & FY2017)	\$70,042	A survey was completed to qualify this project
	Total Project Cost	\$70,042	
	Administration	\$15,374	
	Grant Amount	\$85,416	
Lehighton Borough	Sidewalks		
	Replace ADA Handi-cap ramps Corners of North 2 nd Street, Cypress Street, 11 th /Hamilton, 12 th /Hamilton, 11 th /Mahoning	\$78,104	Benefits residents In block group 1, 2, & 3. 52.07%
	Total Project Cost	78,104	
	Administration	17,144	
	Grant Amount	\$95,248	
Palmerton Borough	Street Improvements		
	Reconstruct/Repave W. Princeton (from Fireline Road to Hillside Avenue) To include sidewalks and concrete curb	\$77,523	Benefits residents In block group 3 , 5 59.05%
	Total Project Cost	\$77,523	
	Administration	\$17,017	
	Grant Amount	\$94,540	

TOTAL ENTITLEMENT ALLOCATION - 2016 ADMINISTRATION **\$ 368,674.00**
\$ 80,925.00

CARBON COUNTY NON-ENTITLEMENTS COMMUNITIES: 2016 Proposed Projects

Municipality	Project	Project Amount	Qualify
Banks Township	Water/Sewer Improvements Replace and redirect sanitary sewer line on Cherry Street	\$66,250	A survey was complete to qualify this project
Beaver Meadows Borough	Water / Sewer Improvements Drainage improvements to Dean Street and Martyn Street	\$33,472	Census Data Block group 5
Lansford Borough	Public Facilities Replace doors to borough building with ADA handi-cap accessible doors	\$ 20,000	Presumed Benefit
Lower Towamensing Township	Parks, Recreation Park improvements to Aquashicola Playground	\$35,000	A survey was Complete to Qualify this project
Summit Hill Borough	Parks, Recreation Park improvements to Ginder Field Rehabilitation	\$37,500	Census Data

TOTAL COUNTY NON-ENTITLEMENT ALLOCATION - 2016 ADMINISTRATION **\$ 234,417.00**
\$ 42,195.00
COUNTY NON-ENTITLEMENT AVAILABLE FOR PROJECTS – 2016 **\$ 192,222.00**

TOTAL GRANT FY2016 **\$ 684,016.00**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND ADOPT THE FOLLOWING FY 2016 CDBG RESOLUTION:

RESOLUTION #16-038
FY 2016 CDBG RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA HAS ELECTED TO ADMINISTER THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROGRAM; AND

WHEREAS, THE LEGISLATURE OF THE COMMONWEALTH HAS ENACTED LEGISLATION (ACT 179) DIRECTING THAT VARIOUS COUNTIES MAY MAKE APPLICATION FOR FUNDS AVAILABLE THROUGH THE CDBG PROGRAM FOR CERTAIN LOCAL GOVERNMENTS; AND

WHEREAS, THE ACT 179 ALSO PROVIDES THAT THE COUNTY OF CARBON MAY MAKE APPLICATION FOR CDBG FUNDS DESIGNATED FOR THE COUNTY; AND

WHEREAS, THE COUNTY OF CARBON HAS PREPARED THESE APPLICATIONS FOR FEDERAL FISCAL YEAR 2016 FOR THE BOROUGHES OF JIM THORPE, LEHIGHTON, & PALMERTON, AND THE TOWNSHIPS OF FRANKLIN & MAHONING, AND THE COUNTY OF CARBON; AND

WHEREAS, THE ABOVE-NAMED MUNICIPALITIES HAVE PROVIDED TO THE COUNTY SATISFACTORY EVIDENCE OF THEIR APPROVAL OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PLAN IN THE RESPECTIVE APPLICATIONS;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CARBON THAT THE FILING OF SAID APPLICATIONS FOR THE PENNSYLVANIA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED; AND

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED THAT WAYNE E NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN, CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS, IS HEREBY DESIGNATED AS THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR THE PURPOSE OF FILING SAID APPLICATIONS, AND IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO EXECUTE THE SAID APPLICATIONS INCLUDING ALL UNDERSTANDINGS AND ASSURANCES CONTAINED THEREIN. THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER NAMED ABOVE IS ALSO AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE SUCH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO THE COMMONWEALTH AS MAY BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE THE SAID APPLICATION AND SECURE APPROVAL OF THE SAME.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNTY OF CARBON

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

ATTEST:

/S/ ELOISE K. AHNER, COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR/CHIEF CLERK

DATE: DECEMBER 22, 2016

BOARD POLLED	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT OF THE FINAL PUBLIC NOTICE REQUIRED FOR THE FY 2016 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) APPLICATION.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	ABSTAIN
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

SOLICITOR'S REPORT:

AGENCY ON AGING:

#16-492 AGREEMENT/LUEDTKE:

THE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF CARBON/AREA AGENCY ON AGING AND DIANE LUEDTKE, CRNP, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AS REGISTERED NURSE CONSULTANT TO PROVIDE ASSESSMENT AND DETERMINE CONSUMER LEVEL OF CARE FOR NURSING FACILITIES AND PERSONAL CARE HOME PLACEMENT WAS SUBMITTED FOR APPROVAL

THE AGREEMENT SHALL BE EFFECTIVE JANUARY 31, 2017 THROUGH DECEMBER 31, 2020. COMPENSATION SHALL REMAIN AT THE RATE OF \$35.00/HOUR, MAXIMUM OF \$6,300/YEAR.

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

WITH DIANE LUEDTKE.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

AGREEMENTS:

#16-493 TERMINATIONS:

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO TERMINATE THE FOLLOWING AGREEMENTS, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 31, 2016:

MICHAEL S. GREEK, ESQUIRE –PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATIVE TO UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION MATTERS

BRIAN K. BLOSE – AUDIO RECORDING SERVICES RELATIVE TO THE ELECTION PROCESS

IDA STEELE – JANITORIAL SERVICES AT MAGISTERIAL DISTRICT 56-3-03 (LANSFORD)

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

FURTHER BUSINESS:

THE CHAIRMAN NOTED THAT THE COUNTY OFFICES WILL BE CLOSED MONDAY, DECEMBER 26TH FOR THE CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY AND ON MONDAY, JANUARY 2ND FOR THE NEW YEAR'S HOLIDAY.

COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

COMMISSIONER O'GUREK COMMENTED ON THE FOLLOWING:

- THE BOND ISSUE, NOTING THE 7.7 MILLION DOLLARS OF NEW MONEY WILL BE USED FOR THE TRAINING FACILITY, GARAGE AND OFFICE BUILDING; ALSO NOTED THAT WHEN HE BECAME COMMISSIONER THE COUNTY HAD A 16.2 MILLION DOLLAR DEBT AND IT IS NOW DOWN TO 5 MILLION

COMMISSIONER GERHARD COMMENTED ON THE FOLLOWING:

- ATTENDANCE AT THE AREA AGENCY ON AGING CHRISTMAS PARTY; CONGRATULATED THEM FOR THEIR GOOD WORK, NOTING THAT IN JULY 2015, THE STATE NOTED THEY HAD 22 DEFICIENCIES, AND FIFTEEN (15) MONTHS LATER THERE ARE ZERO DEFICIENCIES
- REPORTED ON THE ANIMAL SHELTER, NOTING THE TOTAL EXPENDITURES FOR THE SHELTER FOR THE YEAR TOTALED \$87,627.16, AND DONATIONS/FUND RAISERS TOTALED \$24,777.75

THE COMMISSIONERS WISHED THE EMPLOYEES AND RESIDENTS OF CARBON COUNTY A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND THANKED EVERYONE FOR THEIR HARD WORK AND SUPPORT.

ELISSA GAROFALO, D & L PRESIDENT/EXECUTIVE OFFICER, THANKED THE COMMISSIONERS AND STAFF FOR THEIR SUPPORT OF WHAT IS TO DATE THE LARGEST PROJECT ON THE D& L TRAIL, NOTING THE PROJECT IS 92% COMPLETE.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD,

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED AT 10:54 A.M.

ELOISE K. AHNER,
CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN