

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 SHERIFF, 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 APRIL 20, 2017.

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

\*DUE TO ABSENCE AT APRIL 20, 2017 MEETING.

**COUNTY GOVERNMENT DAY:**

THE BOARD WELCOMED STUDENTS AND TEACHERS ATTENDING THE MEETING FOR COUNTY GOVERNMENT DAY.

**GUESTS (CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS):**

ROY CHRISTMAN,  
LOWER TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP

RE: SUPPORT OF SENATE BILL 22 AND HOUSE BILL  
722 REGARDING LEGISLATIVE BOUNDARIES

**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 APRIL 27, 2017.

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 130053 THROUGH 130138 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 145,603.36
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$ 623.50
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$ 37.00
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$ 8,935.94
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$ 50,605.66
DOMESTIC RELATIONS 4D FUND	\$ 1,995.22
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT FUND	\$ 800.00
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 2,286.77
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 938.33
HAZ-MAT RESPONSE FUND	\$ 29.97
CDBG FUND	\$ 115.88
DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$ 6,425.70
FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND	\$ 984.38
TAX CLAIM FUND	\$ <u>12,226.91</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 231,608.62

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, PENTELEDATA, 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 APRIL 21, 2017 REPORTING BALANCES AS FOLLOWS:

**BALANCES AS OF APRIL 21, 2017:**

GENERAL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 783.77
PAYROLL CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 7,221.74
GENERAL FUND SP NOW	\$ 5,049,655.33
OPERATING RESERVE	\$ 936,462.40
RENTAL PROPERTY	\$ 211,323.39
PARKING FUND	\$ 663,039.88
LIQUID FUELS	\$ 454,710.85
AREA AGENCY ON AGING	\$ 494,375.36
CHILDREN & YOUTH	\$ 468,521.52
HUMAN SERVICES AGENCY FUND	\$ 11,852.96
DOMESTIC RELATIONS	\$ 61,459.49
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT	\$ 13,880.46
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 112,486.49
CARBON TRANSPORTATION	\$ 20,795.50
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 1,233,834.02
HAZMAT RESPONSE FUND	\$ 112,764.66
OFFENDER SUPERVISION	\$ 333,202.22
ADULT ELECTRONIC MONITORING	\$ 161,321.31
FARMLAND PRESERVATION	\$ 63,902.03
HUMAN SERVICES DEVELOPMENT	\$ 24,931.07
HOMELESS GRANT	\$ 6,932.85
CENTRALIZED BOOKING	\$ 97,834.99
VICTIM WITNESS	\$ 7,599.23
RECORDER OF DEEDS IMPROVEMENT	\$ 43,187.46
COUNTY RECORDS IMPROVEMENTS	\$ 26,637.48
JUVENILE SUPERVISION	\$ 25,504.35
COMMUNITY SERVICE FEE FUND	\$ 11,602.00
PROTHONOTARY AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 45,855.45
AFFORDABLE HOUSING FEE	\$ 312,520.62
CLERK OF COURTS AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 5,287.04
REGISTER OF WILLS	\$ 13,793.06
JUVENILE ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND	\$ 5,894.97
VITAL STATISTICS FUND	\$ 47,616.41
SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION FUND	\$ 103,313.45
LIQUID FUELS/ACT 44 FUND	\$ 262,948.42
ACT 13 BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 338,576.60
VICTIMS SERVICE FUND	\$ 60,894.81
HOTEL EXCISE TAX FUND	\$ 181,956.01
CDBG FUND	\$ 127.00
DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$ 1,657,919.77
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$ 10,510,947.42
FRINGE BENEFITS PAYMENT FUND	\$ 536,835.25
TAX CLAIM FUND	\$ 388,976.05

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**PERSONNEL REPORT:**

**PRISON BOARD APPOINTMENTS:**

**TERRY A. GONZALEZ**, LANSFORD, PA – PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS – EFFECTIVE MAY 8, 2017.

**WILLIAM G. GOWER**, GIRARDVILLE, PA – PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS – EFFECTIVE MAY 8, 2017.

**JAMES C. PAVELCO**, PALMERTON, PA – PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS – EFFECTIVE

MAY 8, 2017.

**HEATHER A. REMALEY**, SLATINGTON, PA – PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS – EFFECTIVE MAY 8, 2017.

**CHRISTINA M. SANCHEZ**, JIM THORPE, PA – PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS – EFFECTIVE MAY 8, 2017.

**WILLIAM R. SHEARER**, LEHIGHTON, PA – PART-TIME CORRECTIONS OFFICER, CORRECTIONS – EFFECTIVE MAY 8, 2017.

**INTERNSHIPS:**

**AREA AGENCY ON AGING**

**CARRIE A. BALL**, PALMERTON, PA  
MCCANN'S SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND TECHNOLOGY, HUMAN SERVICES

FROM: MAY 30, 2017

TO: AUGUST 11, 2017

**CASEY OSIFAT**, WASHINGTON CROSSING, PA  
KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY, SOCIAL WORK

FROM: MAY 30, 2017

TO: AUGUST 11, 2017

**SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUESTS:**

**AREA AGENCY ON AGING**

**MARK D. MISCZENSKI**

LONG-TERM OMBUDSMAN OMBUDSMANAGER TRAINING

HARRISBURG, PA

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

**CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES**

**JILL M. GEISSINGER**

LEADERSHIP AND THE PARALLEL PROCESS

PITTSTON, PA

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

**DAWN K. MEROLA**

HEROIN

METHAMPHETAMINE

PITTSTON, PA

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

**CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES**

**AMY B. CHICKILLY**

**KEVIN KANE**

DRUG AND ALCOHOL ISSUES: AN INTRODUCTION FOR CHILD WELFARE PROFESSIONALS

NORRISTOWN, PA

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

**KELSEY K. MCELVAR**

**KEVIN J. DOLL**

CHILDHOOD MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES: AN INTRODUCTION FOR CHILD WELFARE PROFESSIONALS

NORRISTOWN, PA

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

**COMMISSIONERS**

**COLLEEN A. KLEIN**  
RISK MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP  
HARRISBURG, PA  
COST: MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

**COMMUNICATIONS**

**JUSTIN E. MARKELL**  
25<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PA GIS CONFERENCE: EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES  
STATE COLLEGE, PA  
COST: CONFERENCE FEE \$245, LODGING, MEALS, MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

**THOMAS B. WASSIL**  
**ASHLEY L. BARTEK**  
CPR/AED/FIRST AID RE-CERTIFICATION  
NESQUEHONING, PA  
COST: TRAINING FEE \$27 EACH

**GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS**

**JASON P. SHELLHAMMER**  
25<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL PA GIS CONFERENCE: EMERGING TECHNOLOGIES  
STATE COLLEGE, PA  
COST: CONFERENCE FEE \$245, LODGING, MEALS, MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT**

**DAVID J. BODNAR, JR.**  
**JENNIFER L. HUNSICKER**  
FAIR HOUSING EQUAL OPPORTUNITY (FHEO) TRAINING  
SHAMOKIN DAM, PA  
COST: LODGING, MEALS, MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

**COURTS SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUEST ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

**DOMESTIC RELATIONS**

**BRIDGET M. JOHNSTON**  
QUARTERLY DRAP BOARD MEETING  
HARRISBURG, PA  
COST: LODGING, MEALS, MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

**BRIDGET M. JOHNSTON**  
**KAREN M. GASKER**  
CPR/AED/FIRST AID RE-CERTIFICATION  
NESQUEHONING, PA  
COST: TRAINING FEE \$27 EACH

**JUVENILE COURT**

**KIMMY L. MULIK**  
**PAUL R. ZONA**  
HOW BEING TRAUMA-INFORMED IMPROVES CRIMINAL JUSTICE RESPONSES TRAINING  
NESQUEHONING, PA

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

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PERSONNEL REPORT DATED APRIL 27, 2017.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

MINUTES RECEIVED: MARCH 21, 2017 MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY SAFETY COMMITTEE.

AUDIT REPORTS RECEIVED: CARBON-MONROE-PIKE MENTAL HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AS OF JUNE 30, 2016.

A COMMUNICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA COMMISSION ON CRIME AND DELINQUENCY (PCCD) ENCLOSING A LIST OF ALL AWARDS MADE TO THE COUNTY BY PCCD THAT WERE ACTIVE IN 2016 TO AID IN THE PREPARATION OF THE SCHEDULE OF EXPENDITURES OF FEDERAL AWARDS (SEFA), A REQUIRED PART OF THE SINGLE AUDIT REPORT.

A COMMUNICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION ADVISING THAT DUE TO MULTIPLE REQUESTS, THE DEP IS EXTENDING THE COMMENT PERIOD FOR THE DRAFT TUNKHANNOCK CREEK STREAM RE-DESIGNATION EVALUATION REPORT UNTIL AUGUST 1, 2017.

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

- CARBON COUNTY, JIM THORPE, PA
- TECHNICAL DEFICIENCY LETTER
- CARBON COUNTY NESQUEHONING FACILITIES, PAD 130002
- DG (DOLLAR GENERAL) LLC
- WATER QUALITY MANAGEMENT PART II (WQM) PERMIT APPLICATION;
- NPDES PERMIT FOR STORMWATER DISCHARGE
- DOLLAR GENERAL, 6805 SR 209 INTERCHANGE ROAD, TOWAMENSING TOWNSHIP

**ADVERTISING REQUEST:**

**#17-151 BIDS/CDBG PROJECTS:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT FOR INVITATION TO BID FOR THE FOLLOWING COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) PROJECTS:

- MAHONING TOWNSHIP: STREET IMPROVEMENTS/REX ROAD BRIDGE RECONSTRUCTION (FY2014 & FY2015)  
\*PRE-BID MEETING – 10 A.M., MAY 17, 2017
- PACKER TOWNSHIP: NEIGHBORHOOD FACILITIES/WEATHERLY AREA COMMUNITY LIBRARY, KITCHEN AND HALLWAY RENOVATIONS (FY 2013)  
\*PRE-BID MEETING – 10 A.M., MAY 22, 2017

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	ABSTAIN
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**LIQUID FUELS:**

**#17-152 VAN RENTALS:**

A RECOMMENDATION WAS RECEIVED FROM THE PURCHASING DEPARTMENT TO ACCEPT A PROPOSAL SUBMITTED BY JIM THORPE AUTO RENTALS FOR THE LEASE OF TWO (2) FIFTEEN (15) PASSENGER VANS TO TRANSPORT LIQUID FUELS SUMMER PROGRAM EMPLOYEES.

THE TERM SHALL BE MAY 22 TO AUGUST 11, 2017 AT A TOTAL COST OF \$6,750 (\$150 INCREASE FROM LAST YEAR).

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL AS SUBMITTED FROM JIM THORPE AUTO RENTALS.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT:**

**#17-153 RECYCLING/903 GRANT:**

THE ACT 101, SECTION 903 RECYCLING COORDINATOR GRANT APPLICATION REQUESTING FIFTY PERCENT (50%) REIMBURSEMENT OF RECYCLING HOURS AND OTHER ELIGIBLE EXPENSES FOR 2016 (ESTIMATED REVENUE - \$1,571.21) WAS PRESENTED FOR APPROVAL.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE SUBMISSION OF THE GRANT APPLICATION.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

**EMERGENCY OPERATIONS & TRAINING CENTER:**

**#17-154 PHASE I ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY/CHANGE ORDER:**

A CHANGE ORDER TO THE ORIGINAL PROPOSAL RECEIVED FROM RGA, INCORPORATED OF CRANBURY, NJ, TO COMPLETE A PHASE I ARCHAEOLOGICAL SURVEY AS REQUIRED THROUGH THE NATIONAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION ACT FOR THE FIRE AND EMERGENCY SERVICES TRAINING FACILITY IN NESQUEHONING BOROUGH WAS SUBMITTED FOR BOARD ACTION.

SINCE THE SURVEY RESULTED IN THE IDENTIFICATION OF TWO (2) SMALL PREHISTORIC NATIVE AMERICAN ARCHEOLOGICAL SITES, A FULL TECHNICAL REPORT WILL NEED TO BE PREPARED AND SUBMITTED TO PHMC. RGA HAS REQUESTED AN EXTENSION UNTIL MAY 12, 2017 TO COMPLETE THE REPORT. THE ADDITIONAL COST FOR THE TECHNICAL REPORT IS \$2,000 FOR A NEW TOTAL COST OF \$10,682.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE CHANGE ORDER TO THE CONTRACT WITH RGA.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**PARKS/RECREATION:**

**#17-155 AGREEMENTS/MCLP:**

SPECIAL ACTIVITIES AGREEMENTS WERE SUBMITTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

BOY SCOUT TROOP #777 (C/O KEVIN A. STEIGERWALT, TAMAQUA, PA)  
CAMP APPLE TREE - MONDAY NIGHT TROOP MEETINGS 6-8:30 P.M.  
(OCCASIONAL WEEKEND CAMPOUTS WITH PRE-APPROVAL)

\*CHILD EVANGELISM FELLOWSHIP OF CARBON & LEHIGH COUNTIES  
GOOD NEWS DAY CAMP  
JULY 10-14, JULY 17-21, AND JULY 24-28, JULY 31 – AUGUST 4, 2017

PA SENATOR JOHN T. YUDICHAK  
CARBON COUNTY FIRST RESPONDERS - COMMUNITY SAFETY DAY, MAY 6, 2017

\*ST. MARK'S & ST. JOHN'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
4 MILE & 15K FOOTRACE (RACE STREET RUN), JULY 1, 2017

\*TURN TO US, INCORPORATED  
ROW RUN RIDE - MINI TRIATHLON  
SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

\*PENDING RECEIPT OF VALID CERTIFICATE OF INSURANCE

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

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**PARKS/JOSIAH WHITE:**

**#17-156 BANNER REQUEST:**

A BANNER PERMIT REQUEST WAS SUBMITTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

BACH & HANDEL CHORALE, INCORPORATED  
BACH & HANDEL SPRING CONCERT, MAY 20, 2017  
(BANNER REQUEST: 5/06/17 TO 5/21/17)

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

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**#17-157 GAZEBO REQUEST:**

A REQUEST FOR USE OF THE GAZEBO IN THE JOSIAH WHITE PARK WAS SUBMITTED FOR THE FOLLOWING:

CHRIS HAHN & STEPHANIE STIDHAM, LEHIGHTON, PA  
WEDDING VOWS – FRIDAY, MAY 26, 2017 (1 HOUR, 1:00 -2:00 P.M.)

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

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES



**RESOLUTION:**

**#17-158 CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT:**

**RE: REDISTRICTING:**

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

**RESOLUTION #17-012**

**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT: REDISTRICTING**

**WHEREAS**, THE CITIZENS OF CARBON COUNTY AND THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA DESERVE A FAIR, FULLY TRANSPARENT, IMPARTIAL AND DEPOLITICIZED PROCESS OF THE DECENNIAL DRAWING OF STATE LEGISLATURE AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS OF NEAR EQUAL POPULATION; AND

**WHEREAS**, LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING HAS OFTEN RESULTED IN THE GERRYMANDERING OF DISTRICTS TO FAVOR ONE POLITICAL PARTY OR THE OTHER; AND

**WHEREAS**, SUCH GERRYMANDERING OF LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTS HAS WORKED AT TIMES TO THE DETRIMENT OF OUR REPRESENTATIVE DEMOCRACY BY IMPEDING ACTION ON CRITICAL ISSUES OF IMPORTANCE TO THE PEOPLE; AND

**WHEREAS**, POLITICIZED DISTRICTING HAS LED TO THE EXCLUSION OF SUMMIT HILL BOROUGH CITIZENS FROM PARTICIPATING IN ELECTIONS FOR THE PA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, LEGISLATIVE DISTRICT 122, EVEN THOUGH SUMMIT HILL HAS A LONG TRADITION OF VOTING IN THIS DISTRICT AND HAS SUPPLIED SEVERAL FORMER STATE REPRESENTATIVES TO THIS DISTRICT, INCLUDING ONE WHO ROSE TO BE THE SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE CREATION OF A TRULY INDEPENDENT CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION DEVOID OF POLITICAL MOTIVATION OR PARTISANSHIP WILL HELP TO ENSURE A FAIR AND ACCURATE LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING PROCESS THAT RESPECTS POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS AND COMMUNITIES OF INTEREST, WILL PROHIBIT DISTRICTS FROM BEING DRAWN TO FAVOR OR DISCRIMINATE AGAINST A POLITICAL PARTY OR CANDIDATE, WILL PROMOTE TRANSPARENCY, THE USE OF IMPARTIAL AND SOUND METHODOLOGY WHEN SETTING DISTRICT BOUNDARIES, AND ALLOW FOR PUBLIC INPUT, AND WILL FULLY COMPLY WITH THE CONSTITUTIONAL REQUIREMENT THAT "NO COUNTY, CITY, INCORPORATED TOWN, BOROUGH, TOWNSHIP OR WARD" BE DIVIDED "UNLESS ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY."

**NOW, THEREFORE**, BE IT RESOLVED THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS HEREBY SUPPORTS LEGISLATIVE EFFORTS TO SECURE EXPEDITIOUS ACTION TO MAKE A CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT THAT WOULD, AMONG OTHER REFORMS, ASSIGN THE DECENNIAL TASK OF BOTH LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL REDISTRICTING TO AN INDEPENDENT CITIZENS REDISTRICTING COMMISSION, AND ORDERS COPIES OF THIS RESOLUTION BE DISTRIBUTED TO THE PROPER PERSONS WHOSE FURTHER ACTION IS REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE THE PURPOSE OF THIS RESOLUTION, INCLUDING ALL MEMBERS OF THE CARBON COUNTY DELEGATION TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA, GOVERNOR TOM WOLF, THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS ASSOCIATION OF PENNSYLVANIA AND FAIR DISTRICTS PA.

**ADOPTED THIS 27<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2017.**

**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 K. AHNER, CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**VEHICLE FLEET FINANCING:**

**#17-159 AGREEMENT/ENTERPRISE:**

A PROPOSAL WAS SUBMITTED BY ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT OF HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA FOR VEHICLE FLEET FINANCING AND VEHICLE MAINTENANCE.

THE TERM SHALL COMMENCE ON DATE OF NOTICE TO PROCEED AND CONTINUE FOR FOUR (4) YEARS WITH THE OPTION TO RENEW FOR AN ADDITIONAL 4-YEAR TERM. MONTHLY RATES TO BE DETERMINED BY VEHICLE CLASSES CHOSEN BY THE COUNTY.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL AS SUBMITTED BY ENTERPRISE FLEET MANAGEMENT.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:**

COMMISSIONER O'GUREK NOTED THAT SATURDAY, APRIL 29<sup>TH</sup>. IS "PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK DAY". AMERICA IS EXPERIENCING AN EPIDEMIC OF ADDICTION, OVERDOSE, AND DEATH DUE TO OVERDOSES OF PRESCRIPTION DRUGS. RESIDENTS CAN DROP THEIR UNUSED, UNWANTED PRESCRIPTION DRUGS AT THE SUMMIT HILL POLICE DEPARTMENT FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.

COMMISSIONER NOTHSTEIN ADVISED THAT HE RECEIVED AN UPDATE FROM THE 911 DIRECTOR INFORMING THAT EMS RECEIVED 132 CALLS AND THE POLICE DEPARTMENTS RECEIVED 45 CALLS FOR A TOTAL OF 177 DRUG OVERDOSE CALLS THIS YEAR. THE PAST TWO (2) YEARS DRUG OVERDOSE DEATHS TOTALED EIGHTEEN.

COMMISSIONER GERHARD COMMENTED ON THE FOLLOWING:

- COMMUNITY SAFETY DAY TO BE HELD MAY 6<sup>TH</sup> FROM 10:00 A.M. TO 2:00 P.M.
- DONATION OF \$1,550 FROM LEHIGHTON KIA TO THE CARBON COUNTY ANIMAL SHELTER
- FREE TRAINING CLASSES TO BE GIVEN BY ROSE REESE ON MAY 20<sup>TH</sup> AT THE ANIMAL SHELTER

COMMISSIONER NOTHSTEIN EXPLAINED TO THE STUDENTS ATTENDING THE MEETING THE REASON COMMISSIONER O'GUREK ABSTAINS FROM VOTING ON ISSUES REGARDING ADVERTISING, PENTELEDATA, PENCOR, ETC. IS BECAUSE HE ALSO WORKS PART-TIME FOR THE TIMES NEWS.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD,

THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ADJOURNED AT 10:47 A.M.

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ELOISE K. AHNER,  
CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

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WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN