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THE REGULAR WEEKLY MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS CONVENED THIS DATE AT 10:31 A.M. IN THE COMMISSIONER'S MEETING ROOM, CARBON COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA.

PRESENT WERE COMMISSIONERS NOTHSTEIN, GERHARD, AND O'GUREK, CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR AHNER, SOLICITOR MISCAVIGE, SECRETARY III JEN BOGER, AND EXECUTIVE SECRETARY MARIANNE BUTRIE.

THE COUNTY CONTROLLER, COUNTY TREASURER, COURT ADMINISTRATOR, CLERK OF COURTS, CHIEF ADULT PROBATION OFFICER, HUMAN RESOURCES DIRECTOR, DISTRICT ATTORNEY FIRST DEPUTY, AND DISTRICT ATTORNEY OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR WERE ALSO PRESENT.

**MOMENT OF SILENCE:**

A MOMENT OF SILENCE WAS OBSERVED.

**PRAYER:**

THE 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 MARCH 28, 2019.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**GUESTS (CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS):**

JAMES DULCY, WEATHERLY	RE: PROPOSED WINDMILLS IN PACKER TOWNSHIP; PRISON WATER ISSUE; SCHOOL DISTRICT HIRING
EDITH LUKASEVICH, JIM THORPE	RE: EDITORIAL ON TERM LIMITS
MARK REITZ, JIM THORPE	RE: STORMWATER ISSUES; NEED FOR TOURISM JOBS
CHRIS LUKASEVICH, JIM THORPE	RE: PROJECTED YEARLY COSTS OF SUSQUEHANNA STREET BUILDING; PRISON WATER ISSUE; RESPONSE TO PACKERTON TOWNSHIP REGARDING PROPOSED WINDMILLS; RTK REQUESTING AWARDED CONTRACTS FOR SUSQUEHANNA STREET PROJECT

**CLERK OF COURTS:**

CLERK OF COURTS FRANCINE HEANEY GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE PROGRESS BEING MADE IN HER OFFICE. SHE THANKED THE BOARD FOR THE ADDITIONAL MONTH OF OVERTIME HOURS.

**HOMELESSNESS TASK FORCE:**

CHRISTINE LECLAIR, ROBERT JACOBS AND REVEREND ALLEN HOFFA, PASTOR OF ST. JOSEPH PARISH OF THE PANTHER VALLEY IN SUMMIT HILL WERE PRESENT TO GIVE AN UPDATE ON THE FORMATION OF A TASK FORCE TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS AND THE LACK OF SHELTERS FOR WOMEN IN CARBON COUNTY.

**PROCLAMATIONS:**

**#19-176    SECOND CHANCE MONTH:**

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

**PROCLAMATION #2019-05**  
**SECOND CHANCE MONTH**

**WHEREAS**, EVERY PERSON IS ENDOWED WITH HUMAN DIGNITY AND VALUE; AND  
**WHEREAS**, REDEMPTION AND SECOND CHANCES ARE AMERICAN VALUES; AND  
**WHEREAS**, AN ESTIMATED 65 MILLION AMERICAN CITIZENS HAVE A CRIMINAL RECORD; AND  
**WHEREAS**, THE U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE REPORTS EACH YEAR APPROXIMATELY 650,000 INDIVIDUALS RETURNED TO THEIR COMMUNITY FROM STATE AND FEDERAL PRISONS. CARBON COUNTY CORRECTIONAL FACILITY RELEASED 1,549 INMATES IN 2018; AND  
**WHEREAS**, INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE PAID THEIR DEBT AFTER COMMITTING A CRIME FACE SIGNIFICANT BARRIERS, ALSO KNOWN AS COLLATERAL CONSEQUENCES, TO REINTEGRATING INTO SOCIETY; AND  
**WHEREAS**, GAINING MEANINGFUL EMPLOYMENT IS ONE OF THE MOST SIGNIFICANT PREDICTORS OF SUCCESSFUL REENTRY AND REDUCING FUTURE CRIMINAL ACTIVITY; AND  
**WHEREAS**, NINETY PERCENT OF THOSE WHO HAVE PREVIOUSLY BEEN INCARCERATED STRUGGLE TO FIND EMPLOYMENT BECAUSE OF BOTH SOCIETAL AND LEGAL BARRIERS WHICH ARE OFTEN NOT DIRECTLY RELATED TO THE OFFENSE COMMITTED OR ANY PROVEN PUBLIC SAFETY BENEFIT; AND  
**WHEREAS**, EDUCATION HAS ALSO BEEN SHOWN TO BE A SIGNIFICANT PREDICTOR OF SUCCESSFUL REENTRY; AND  
**WHEREAS**, THOSE WITH A CRIMINAL RECORD HAVE LOWER LEVELS OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT THAN THE GENERAL POPULATION AND HAVE SIGNIFICANT DIFFICULTY ACQUIRING ADMISSION TO AND FUNDING FOR EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS; AND  
**WHEREAS**, PEOPLE WITH A CRIMINAL HISTORY ALSO FACE SIGNIFICANT BARRIERS IN SECURING A PLACE TO LIVE AND THIS INABILITY TO ACCESS HOUSING HAS BEEN FOUND TO INCREASE THE NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS RETURNING TO PRISON; AND  
**WHEREAS**, ALL OF THESE BARRIERS PREVENT THE 65 MILLION AMERICANS WITH CRIMINAL RECORDS FROM CONTRIBUTING FULLY TO THEIR FAMILIES AND COMMUNITIES; AND  
**WHEREAS**, THESE BARRIERS CAN CONTRIBUTE TO RECIDIVISM, WHICH INCREASES VICTIMIZATION AND DECREASES PUBLIC SAFETY; AND  
**WHEREAS**, THE BARRIERS AND STIGMA ASSOCIATED WITH A CRIMINAL RECORD RESULTS IN LOST HUMAN CAPITAL AND LOST ECONOMIC OUTPUT FOR THE UNITED STATES; AND  
**WHEREAS**, CARBON COUNTY HAS A REENTRY COALITION THAT IS ACTIVELY WORKING TO REDUCE THE BARRIERS TO THOSE BEING RELEASED TO OUR COMMUNITY; AND  
**WHEREAS**, THE DESIGNATION OF APRIL AS SECOND CHANCE MONTH CAN CONTRIBUTE TO INCREASED PUBLIC AWARENESS ABOUT THE CHALLENGES FACED BY THOSE WHO HAVE PAID THEIR DEBT, AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR INDIVIDUALS, EMPLOYERS, CONGREGATIONS, AND COMMUNITIES TO

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EXTEND SECOND CHANCES.

**NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED** THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS DESIGNATES APRIL 2019 AS "SECOND CHANCE MONTH"; HONORS THE WORK OF THE CARBON COUNTY REENTRY COALITION AND THE WORK OF OUR COMMUNITIES, GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONS, NON-PROFITS, CONGREGATIONS, EMPLOYERS, AND INDIVIDUALS TO REMOVE UNNECESSARY LEGAL AND SOCIETAL BARRIERS THAT PREVENT INDIVIDUALS WITH A CRIMINAL RECORD FROM BECOMING PRODUCTIVE MEMBERS OF SOCIETY; AND CALLS UPON THE PEOPLE OF CARBON COUNTY TO OBSERVE SECOND CHANCE MONTH THROUGH ACTIONS AND PROGRAMS THAT PROMOTE AWARENESS OF THE CHALLENGES FACING THOSE WHO HAVE PAID THEIR DEBT AND OPPORTUNITIES TO UNLOCK SECOND CHANCES.

**ADOPTED** BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2019.

**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

THE PROCLAMATION WAS PRESENTED TO CHIEF ADULT PROBATION OFFICER RICHMOND PARSONS, WHO HEADS THE CARBON COUNTY RE-ENTRY COALITION. ROBERT JACOBS, AND OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COALITION WERE ALSO PRESENT.

**#19-177 PURPLE UP DAY:**

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

**PROCLAMATION #2019-06**

**PURPLE UP DAY**

**WHEREAS**, APRIL IS THE "MONTH OF THE MILITARY CHILD." THIS MONTH HAS BEEN SET ASIDE TO RECOGNIZE THE SACRIFICES CHILDREN AND YOUTHS OF OUR MILITARY PERSONNEL MAKE BECAUSE WHEN THE PARENTS SERVE IN THE MILITARY, THEIR KIDS ALSO SERVE IN THE MILITARY; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE COLOR OF PURPLE IS CHOSEN BECAUSE IT REPRESENTS ALL OF THE BRANCHES OF THE MILITARY SERVICES COMBINED. THE ARMY BRANCH IS GREEN, THE AIR FORCE, NAVY, AND COAST GUARD BRANCHES ARE BLUE, AND THE MARINE BRANCH IS RED; AND

**WHEREAS**, THESE CHILDREN AND YOUTHS ARE SOURCES OF PRIDE AND HONOR TO US ALL. IT IS FITTING WE TAKE TIME TO RECOGNIZE THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS, CELEBRATE THEIR SPIRIT, AND LET OUR MEN AND WOMEN IN UNIFORM KNOW WHILE THEY ARE TAKING CARE OF US, WE ARE TAKING CARE OF THEIR CHILDREN AND YOUTHS; AND

**WHEREAS**, WE ARE ENCOURAGING ALL CARBON COUNTY RESIDENTS TO DISPLAY PURPLE RIBBONS ON THEIR DOORS, PORCH RAILINGS, AND WINDOWS. ALSO, WE ASK RESIDENTS OF THE COUNTY TO WEAR PURPLE ON THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2019 TO RECOGNIZE AND HONOR THESE MILITARY CHILDREN AND YOUTHS.

**NOW, THEREFORE**, THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCLAIM THURSDAY, APRIL 18, 2019 AS "PURPLE-UP DAY" IN CARBON COUNTY AND URGE ALL CITIZENS TO GIVE RECOGNITION TO THE MANY CHILDREN AND YOUTHS OF THE SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN CURRENTLY SERVING IN THE MILITARY.

**ADOPTED** BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2019.

**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

GEORGEANN HERLING, ALONG WITH OTHER REPRESENTATIVES FROM AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY UNIT 360 WERE PRESENT TO ACCEPT THE PROCLAMATION.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**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 FOR 2018 AND 2019 AS LISTED ON TRANSMITTALS DATED APRIL 4, 2019.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE THE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS FOR 2018 AND 2019 AS LISTED ON TRANSMITTALS DATED APRIL 4, 2019.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**EXPENDITURE APPROVAL:**

**PAYROLL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT:**

APPROVAL OF PAYROLL CHECK NUMBERS 70938 THROUGH 70979 AND DIRECT DEPOSIT CHECK NUMBERS 6007351 THROUGH 6007751 FOR THE PAYROLL PAID THROUGH THE PAYROLL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT FOR ALL COUNTY FUNDS TOTALING \$551,583.15 (PAYROLL DATED MARCH 29, 2019).

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 204837 THROUGH 204934 FOR EXPENDITURES THROUGH THE

GENERAL FUND CLEARING ACCOUNT AS FOLLOWS:

GENERAL FUND	\$ 89,355.98
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$ 772.37
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$ 827.85
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$ 44,632.74
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$ 60,224.03
HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY FUND	\$ 1,355.70
DOMESTIC RELATIONS FUND	\$ 745.98
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT FUND	\$ 228.04
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 1,023.28
CARBON TRANSPORTATION FUND	\$ 70,357.90
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 584.89
FARMLAND PRESERVATION FUND	\$ 2,881.25
FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND	<u>\$ 1,154.25</u>
TOTAL:	\$ 274,144.26

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 STATED, "YES, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF THE BILLS FOR THE TIMES NEWS, BLUE RIDGE COMMUNICATIONS, AND PENTELEDATA, TO WHICH I ABSTAIN BECAUSE I AM A PART-TIME EMPLOYEE OF THE TIMES NEWS WHICH IS A SISTER COMPANY OF BLUE RIDGE COMMUNICATIONS, AND PENTELEDATA."

**ETHICS COMMISSION COMPLIANCE:**

COMMISSIONER O'GUREK PRESENTED THE FOLLOWING MEMORANDUM STATING HIS POSSIBLE CONFLICT OF INTEREST WITH PENCOR RELATED COMPANIES AS PER THE ADVICE OF THE STATE ETHICS COMMISSION:

**MEMORANDUM**

SECTION 1103(J) OF THE ETHICS ACTS PROVIDES AS FOLLOWS:

VOTING CONFLICT-WHERE VOTING CONFLICTS ARE NOT OTHERWISE ADDRESSED BY THE CONSTITUTION OF PENNSYLVANIA OR BY ANY LAW RULE REGULATION ORDER OR ORDINANCE, THE FOLLOWING PROCEDURE SHALL BE EMPLOYED. ANY PUBLIC OFFICIAL OR PUBLIC EMPLOYEE WHO IN THE DISCHARGE OF HIS OFFICIAL DUTIES WOULD BE REQUIRED TO VOTE ON A MATTER THAT WOULD RESULT IN A CONFLICT OF INTEREST SHALL ABSTAIN FROM VOTING AND PRIOR TO THE VOTE BEING TAKEN PUBLICLY ANNOUNCE AND DISCLOSE THE NATURE OF HIS INTEREST AS A PUBLIC RECORD IN A WRITTEN MEMORANDUM FILED WITH THE PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR RECORDING THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING AT WHICH THE VOTE IS TAKEN PROVIDED THAT WHENEVER A GOVERNING BODY WOULD BE UNABLE TO TAKE ANY ACTION ON A MATTER BEFORE IT BECAUSE THE NUMBER OF MEMBERS OF THE BODY REQUIRED TO ABSTAIN FROM VOTING UNDER THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION MAKES THE MAJORITY OR OTHER LEGALLY REQUIRED VOTE OF APPROVAL UNATTAINABLE THEN SUCH MEMBERS SHALL BE PROVIDED TO VOTE IF DISCLOSURES ARE MADE AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED HEREIN. IN THE CASE OF A THREE-MEMBER GOVERNING BODY OF A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION WHERE ONE MEMBER HAS ABSTAINED FROM VOTING AS A RESULT OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST AND THE REMAINING TWO MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNING BODY HAVE CAST OPPOSING VOTES THE MEMBER WHO HAS ABSTAINED SHALL BE PERMITTED TO VOTE TO BREAK THE TIE VOTE IF DISCLOSURE IS MADE AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED HEREIN.

ACCORDINGLY, TO COMPLY WITH THIS SECTION OF THE ETHICS ACT, I AM SUBMITTING THIS MEMORANDUM AS A MEANS OF PROVIDING FULL DISCLOSURE OF A CONFLICT OF INTEREST, STATING THAT I AM ABSTAINING TODAY ON ANY ACTIONS RELATING TO PAYING BILLS TO, ADVERTISING WITH, ACCEPTING PROPOSALS FROM AND/OR ENTERING CONTRACTS WITH TIMES NEWS, LEHIGHTON, PA, BECAUSE I AM A PART-TIME EMPLOYEE THERE, AS WELL AS ITS SISTER COMPANIES, INCLUDING BLUE RIDGE COMMUNICATIONS, PENTELEDATA, THE PALMERTON TELEPHONE COMPANY AND PENCOR HOSE AND FITTING, AND ANY OTHER PENCOR SERVICES' AFFILIATES.

/S/ WILLIAM J. O'GUREK, MEMBER

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**TREASURER'S REPORT:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE TREASURER'S REPORT DATED MARCH 18, 2019 TO MARCH 31, 2019 REPORTING BALANCES AS FOLLOWS:

**BALANCES AS OF MARCH 31, 2019:**

GENERAL FUND CHECKING ACCOUNT	\$ 4,171.99
GENERAL FUND SP NOW	\$ 4,695,051.74
OPERATING RESERVE FUND	\$ 964,163.51
RENTAL PROPERTY FUND	\$ 187,981.78
COUNTY PARKING FUND	\$ 976,837.05
LIQUID FUELS TAX FUND	\$ 527,164.22
AREA AGENCY ON AGING FUND	\$ 240,240.38
CHILDREN & YOUTH FUND	\$ 540,553.42
HUMAN SERVICE AGENCY FUND	\$ 14,069.41
DOMESTIC RELATION IV-D FUND	\$ 39,963.17
WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT	\$ 18,746.16
PARKS & RECREATION FUND	\$ 127,040.54
CARBON TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM FUND	\$ 92,769.60
9-1-1 FUND	\$ 1,375,194.74
HAZMAT RESPONSE FUND	\$ 134,058.49
OFFENDER SUPERVISION FUND	\$ 513,552.27
ADULT ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND	\$ 191,812.43
FARMLAND PRESERVATION FUND	\$ 42,432.41
HUMAN SERVICE DEVELOPMENT FUND	\$ 27,017.61
HOMELESS GRANT FUND	\$ 13,907.80
CENTRALIZED BOOKING FUND	\$ 118,359.25
VICTIM/WITNESS FUND	\$ 12,445.01
RECORDER OF DEEDS IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 38,044.33
COUNTY RECORDS IMPROVEMENTS FUND	\$ 19,488.37
JUVENILE SUPERVISION FEE FUND	\$ 31,940.32
COMMUNITY SERVICE FEE FUND	\$ 8,750.14
PROTHONOTARY AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 79,995.94
AFFORDABLE HOUSING FUND	\$ 289,021.94
CLERK OF COURTS AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 3,156.86
REGISTER OF WILLS AUTOMATION FUND	\$ 10,368.76
JUVENILE ELECTRONIC MONITORING FUND	\$ 6,163.65
VITAL STATS IMPROVEMENT FUND	\$ 44,594.76
SUBSTANCE ABUSE EDUCATION	\$ 137,947.79
LIQUID FUELS/ACT 44	\$ 451,235.92
HIGHWAY BRIDGE IMPROVEMENT ACT 13	\$ 522,745.66
VICTIMS SERVICES FUND	\$ 45,979.07
HOTEL ROOM EXCISE TAX FUND	\$ 18,771.75

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CDBG FUND	\$	6.68
DEBT SERVICE FUND	\$	1,020,829.19
CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND	\$	7,743,873.65
FRINGE BENEFIT PAYMENT FUND	\$	513,966.12
PAYROLL FUND	\$	138,879.76
TAX CLAIM FUND	\$	993,958.69

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN RECESSED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 11:20 A.M. IN ORDER TO CONVENE THE MONTHLY SALARY BOARD MEETING.

THE BOARD RECONVENED THE REGULAR MEETING AT 11:24 A.M.

**PERSONNEL REPORT:**

**RESIGNATIONS:**

**ERIC M. CINICOLA**, JIM THORPE, PA - PART-TIME VICTIM/WITNESS COORDINATOR, DISTRICT ATTORNEY - EFFECTIVE MARCH 28, 2019.

**CHANGES OF STATUS:**

**JOANNE M. RECLA**, SUMMIT HILL, PA  
FROM: DISTRICT JUSTICE SECRETARY I  
TO: DISTRICT JUSTICE SECRETARY II  
EFFECTIVE: APRIL 8, 2019

**AMANDA C. MCMAHON**, ALLENTOWN, PA  
FROM: PART-TIME DISPATCHER, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER  
TO: 911 OPERATOR, COMMUNICATIONS CENTER  
EFFECTIVE: APRIL 22, 2019

**LEAVE OF ABSENCE EXTENSION:**

**CHILDREN & YOUTH SERVICES**

**TAWNIA C. AMER**  
COUNTY CASEWORKER II  
FROM: MARCH 17, 2019  
TO: APRIL 30, 2019

**INTERNSHIPS:**

**ADULT PROBATION OFFICE**

**BRIAN RATTIGER**, DUNMORE, PA  
PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY, CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR  
FROM: MAY 6, 2019  
TO: AUGUST 30, 2019

**THOMAS YOUNGKIN**, LEHIGHTON, PA  
KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY, CRIMINAL JUSTICE MAJOR  
FROM: MAY 6, 2019  
TO: AUGUST 30, 2019

**SEMINAR/TRAINING REQUESTS:**

**AREA AGENCY ON AGING**

**FRANCINE M. CRAIGIE**

**CAROL A. HEFFELFINGER**

**RONDA S. ROBERTS**

**SUSAN E. ZEIGLER**

**PAMELA I. SCHLEICHER**

**DEENA L. FITAL**

**DONNA L. SHELLY**

VOTER REGISTRATION TRAINING WEBINAR

PALMERTON, PA

**MICHEL D. CUTLER**

**EVA I. LABANOSKI**

**ANNE L. HERRIGAN**

**CONNIE M. LYNN**

**ETHEL WHITE**

**MARK D. MISCZENSKI**

**KATHERYN M. LABOSKY**

**AREA AGENCY ON AGING**

**SUSAN E. ZEIGLER**

**CINDY K. BIZARRE**

2019 KNOWLEDGE SHARING SESSION FOR SAMS ADMINISTRATORS

GETTYSBURG, PA

COST: CONFERENCE FEE \$175 PER PERSON, LODGING, MEALS, MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

**CONNIE M. LYNN**

**SUSAN E. ZEIGLER**

IPS0049 – PDA PROTECTIVE SERVICES SUPERVISOR TRAINING

READING, PA

COST: MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

**PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT**

**DAVID J. BODNAR**

CARBON COUNTY BLIGHT SEMINAR

JIM THORPE, PA

**WORKFORCE INVESTMENT ACT**

**KEITH F. RAMSAY**

PA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION 35<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND EDUCATION CONFERENCE

HERSHEY, PA

COST: CONFERENCE FEE \$395, LODGING, MEALS, MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

**JOSEPH J. SEBELIN**

PA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION 35<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND EDUCATION CONFERENCE

HERSHEY, PA

COST: CONFERENCE FEE \$375, LODGING, MEALS, MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)

**WORKFORCE TRAINING**

**GARRY J. WENTZ**

PA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT ASSOCIATION 35<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL EMPLOYMENT, TRAINING AND EDUCATION CONFERENCE

HERSHEY, PA

COST: CONFERENCE FEE \$375, LODGING, MEALS, MILEAGE (IF COUNTY VEHICLE IS UNAVAILABLE)



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MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PERSONNEL REPORT DATED APRIL 4, 2019.

BOARD POLLED:	O'GUREK	YES
	GERHARD	YES
	NOTHSTEIN	YES

**CORRESPONDENCE:**

MINUTES RECEIVED: MARCH 19, 2019 MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY HOUSING AUTHORITY.

THE MARCH 2019 MONTHLY REPORT WAS RECEIVED FROM THE CARBON COUNTY REGISTER OF WILLS.

A COPY OF CORRESPONDENCE SENT REGARDING THE INAUGURAL MEETING OF THE HOMELESSNESS TASK FORCE SCHEDULED TO BE HELD APRIL 15, 2019 AT 3:00 PM AT THE CARBON COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

A REPORT TO CARBON COUNTY STAKEHOLDERS, PREPARED APRIL 1, 2019, REGARDING THE PENNEAST/UGI PIPELINE PROJECT WAS RECEIVED FROM SAVE CARBON COUNTY.

A COMMUNICATION WAS RECEIVED FROM PENNSYLVANIA REPRESENTATIVE DOYLE HEFFLEY EXTENDING AN INVITATION TO ELECTED OFFICIALS TO ATTEND A BLIGHT SEMINAR DESIGNED TO DISCUSS TOOLS TO COMBAT BLIGHT IN CARBON COUNTY. THE SEMINAR WILL BE HELD APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup> FROM 10-2 PM AT JIM THORPE MEMORIAL HALL.

**ADVERTISING REQUESTS:**

**#19-178 SEASONAL MAINTENANCE/MCLP:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO AUTHORIZE THE ADVERTISEMENT IN THE TIMES NEWS FROM APRIL 8 TO APRIL 22, 2019 FOR SEASONAL MAINTENANCE AT THE MAUCH CHUNK LAKE PARK (MCLP).

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

\* MR. O'GUREK STATED, "I ABSTAIN BECAUSE I AM A PART-TIME EMPLOYEE OF THE TIMES NEWS WHERE THE ADVERTISEMENT WILL BE PUBLISHED"

**COURTS**

**#19-179 CONTRACT/HABER:**

A CONTRACT WAS SUBMITTED FOR BONNIE HABER, EASTON, PENNSYLVANIA, ESTABLISHING PER DIEM COURT REPORTING SERVICE RATES FOR STENOGRAPHIC SERVICES FOR THE COURT OF COMMON PLEAS AS FOLLOWS:

HALF-DAY (UP TO 3 HOURS)	\$ 175.00
FULL-DAY (UP TO 8 HOURS)	\$ 325.00
OVER 8 HOURS BILLED AT	\$ 50.00/HOUR
WEEKLY RATE	NEGOTIABLE

THE AGREEMENT MAY BE TERMINATED BY EITHER PARTY GIVING THIRTY (30) DAY WRITTEN NOTICE.

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO APPROVE AND AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THE CONTRACT WITH MS. HABER.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**

**HOTEL ROOM RENTAL EXCISE TAX:**

**#19-180 RULES & REGULATIONS:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ADOPT THE REVISED RULES AND REGULATIONS REGARDING HOTEL ROOM RENTAL EXCISE TAX ORDINANCE #2019-02 ESTABLISHING AN EXCISE TAX ON THE RENTING OF HOTEL ROOMS.

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**PARKING:**

**#19-181 LEASE/USPS:**

A GROUND LEASE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICES (USPS) AND THE COUNTY OF CARBON FOR USE OF FOUR (4) PARKING SPACES IN THE COUNTY PARKING LOT WAS PRESENTED FOR BOARD ACTION.

THE COST SHALL BE \$2,400 ANNUALLY TO BE PAID MONTHLY AT \$200/MONTH COMMENCING JANUARY 1, 2019 AND ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 2023.

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

BOARD POLLED: O'GUREK YES  
GERHARD YES  
NOTHSTEIN YES

**RESOLUTIONS:**

**#19-182 EAGLE SCOUTS:**

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ADOPT RESOLUTIONS AS FOLLOWS HONORING MEMBERS OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 555, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA, ON ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT:

**RESOLUTION #19-012**

**EAGLE SCOUTSEAN LUKE BEVILACQUA**

**WHEREAS**, SEAN L. BEVILACQUA OF JIM THORPE HAS SUCCEEDED IN ACHIEVING SCOUTING'S HIGHEST HONOR, THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT; AND

**WHEREAS**, SEAN L. BEVILACQUA IS A MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 555, CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA, AND HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN SCOUTING FOR 10 YEARS. DURING HIS SCOUTING CAREER, HE HAS EARNED 33 BADGES. SEAN HAS HELD SEVERAL TROOP LEADERSHIP POSITIONS; AND

**WHEREAS**, SEAN L. BEVILACQUA'S EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT WAS DESIGNING, BUILDING, AND INSTALLING A TRAILHEAD KIOSK AT PENN FOREST RECREATION PARK, PENN FOREST TOWNSHIP. THE KIOSK IS FOR THE COMMUNITY TO POST INFORMATION AND IT ALSO INCLUDES A MAP OF THE PARK. SEAN RAISED \$1,200 FOR THIS PROJECT FROM DONATIONS AND ALSO FROM A PRETZEL SALE DURING THE JIM THORPE FALL FOLIAGE FESTIVAL. SEAN SPENT 117 MAN HOURS ON THIS PROJECT; AND

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**WHEREAS**, SEAN L. BEVILACQUA HAS DEVELOPED THE NECESSARY SKILLS AND DETERMINATION TO ACHIEVE AN HONOR HE WILL VALUE FOR A LIFETIME; AND

**WHEREAS**, SEAN L. BEVILACQUA IS AN INSPIRATION TO YOUNG MEN THROUGH HIS DEDICATION AND LEADERSHIP; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY WISHES TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF SEAN L. BEVILACQUA.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY HEREBY RECOGNIZES THE ACHIEVEMENT OF SEAN L. BEVILACQUA AND COMMENDS AND CONGRATULATES HIM IN ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT.

**ADOPTED** BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2019.

**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

**RESOLUTION #19-013**

**EAGLE SCOUT BRADLEY THOMAS BUZZARD**

**WHEREAS**, BRADLEY T. BUZZARD OF LANSFORD HAS SUCCEEDED IN ACHIEVING SCOUTING'S HIGHEST HONOR, THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT; AND

**WHEREAS**, BRADLEY T. BUZZARD IS A MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 555, CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA, AND HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN SCOUTING FOR 8 YEARS. DURING HIS SCOUTING CAREER, HE HAS EARNED 41 BADGES. BRADLEY HAS HELD SEVERAL TROOP LEADERSHIP POSITIONS; AND

**WHEREAS**, BRADLEY T. BUZZARD'S EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT WAS RESTORING SEVERAL AREAS OF THE LANSFORD LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL STADIUM. BRADLEY RESTORED TWO BLEACHERS AND CONSTRUCTED TWO PICNIC TABLES ALONG WITH SIX BENCHES. THE BLEACHERS THAT BRADLEY RESTORED WERE FROM THE OLD WILKES-BARRE PROFESSIONAL BASEBALL STADIUM. BRADLEY SPENT 100+ MAN HOURS ON THIS PROJECT; AND

**WHEREAS**, BRADLEY T. BUZZARD HAS DEVELOPED THE NECESSARY SKILLS AND DETERMINATION TO ACHIEVE AN HONOR HE WILL VALUE FOR A LIFETIME; AND

**WHEREAS**, BRADLEY T. BUZZARD IS AN INSPIRATION TO YOUNG MEN THROUGH HIS DEDICATION AND LEADERSHIP; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY WISHES TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF BRADLEY T. BUZZARD.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY HEREBY RECOGNIZES THE ACHIEVEMENT OF BRADLEY T. BUZZARD AND COMMENDS AND CONGRATULATES HIM IN ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT.

**ADOPTED** BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2019.

**CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

/S/ WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN

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/S/ WILLIAM J. O'GUREK, MEMBER

**ATTEST:**

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

**RESOLUTION #19-014**

**EAGLE SCOUT ANTHONY LUIS WARD**

**WHEREAS**, ANTHONY L. WARD OF JIM THORPE HAS SUCCEEDED IN ACHIEVING SCOUTING'S HIGHEST HONOR, THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT; AND

**WHEREAS**, ANTHONY L. WARD IS A MEMBER OF BOY SCOUT TROOP 555, CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA, AND HAS BEEN INVOLVED IN SCOUTING FOR 11 YEARS. DURING HIS SCOUTING CAREER, HE HAS EARNED 33 BADGES. ANTHONY AS SERVED AS SENIOR PATROL LEADER, ASSISTANT SENIOR PATROL LEADER, PATROL LEADER AND QUARTERMASTER; AND

**WHEREAS**, ANTHONY L. WARD'S EAGLE SCOUT PROJECT WAS RESTORING THE CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH PLAYGROUND. ANTHONY POWER WASHED ALL PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT, SCRAPED AND RE-STAINED THE WOOD SWING SET AND ANCHORED IT TO THE GROUND. HE REPLACED THE SWINGS AND CHAINS, REFURBISHED A METAL AIRPLANE SET AND A PICNIC TABLE. A RETAINING WALL WAS INSTALLED AND NEW MULCH WAS APPLIED. ANTHONY SOLD PRETZELS AT THE JIM THORPE FALL FOLIAGE FESTIVAL TO RAISE THE \$672.50 NEEDED TO FUND THE PROJECT. ANTHONY SPENT 134.5 MAN HOURS ON THIS PROJECT; AND

**WHEREAS**, ANTHONY L. WARD HAS DEVELOPED THE NECESSARY SKILLS AND DETERMINATION TO ACHIEVE AN HONOR HE WILL VALUE FOR A LIFETIME; AND

**WHEREAS**, ANTHONY L. WARD IS AN INSPIRATION TO YOUNG MEN THROUGH HIS DEDICATION AND LEADERSHIP; AND

**WHEREAS**, THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY WISHES TO ACKNOWLEDGE THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF ANTHONY L. WARD.

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED** THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF CARBON COUNTY HEREBY RECOGNIZES THE ACHIEVEMENT OF ANTHONY L. WARD AND COMMENDS AND CONGRATULATES HIM IN ATTAINING THE RANK OF EAGLE SCOUT.

**ADOPTED** BY THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS THIS 4<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF APRIL, 2019.

**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

**SUSQUEHANNA STREET BUILDING PROJECT:**

**#19-183 PROPOSAL/CONSTRUCTION TESTING SERVICES:**

A RECOMMENDATION WAS RECEIVED FROM BOYLE CONSTRUCTION TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL FROM UNITED INSPECTION SERVICES, JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA, FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RELATIVE TO CONSTRUCTION CERTIFICATIONS FOR THE SUSQUEHANNA STREET BUILDING PROJECT AT THE ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF 115 DAYS @ \$444.35 PER DAY PLUS TESTING OF \$1,590.00 (COST INCLUDES REIMBURSABLES).

MOTION BY MR. GERHARD, SECONDED BY MR. O'GUREK, TO ACCEPT THE PROPOSAL FROM UNITED INSPECTION SERVICES AS SUBMITTED.

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: A.M.

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ELOISE K. AHNER,  
CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

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WAYNE E. NOTHSTEIN, CHAIRMAN