

**MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**

**November 2, 2017**

<b>Attendance</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Not Present</b>	<b>By Phone</b>	<b>Notes</b>
Timothy M. McGonigle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Scott Boyd	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Matthew B. McConnell	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

**Pledge of Allegiance: Was Held**

**Others Present:** Tom Amundsen, Mark Benedetto, Nicki Biles, Brad Elder, Jeff Greenburg, Cathy Herriott, Miles Karson, John Logan, William Madden, Ann Morrison, Nicolette Read, Tom Hubert, Judge Dobson, Chris Conti, Joshua Leskovac, Eric Poole, Caleb Stright

**General Discussion Items:**

- Courthouse roof project is 85% complete.
- Request by Tom Hubert, Shenango Twp. Supervisor, to reconsider closure of Heasley Bridge #2805. Bridge Dept. and Commissioners to discuss options with Twp.
- Jeff Greenburg commented on preparation for Election Day. Precincts are at full capacity and 60 Grove City College students are working as poll workers this year.
- John Logan commented that the State Auditors are here for the Bridge Dept. Liquid Fuels Fund Audit. All records are in good order.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items: None**

Motion to approve <b>October 19, 2017</b> Commissioners' Meeting minutes.	T.M.	Moved	Yes
	S.B.	2nd	Yes
	M.M.		Yes

**PROCLAMATIONS**

Motion to approve a Proclamation to declare November 28 <sup>th</sup> as #GivingTuesday, a day to promote volunteerism and philanthropy in Mercer County. #GivingTuesday is a global day of giving kicking off the charitable season, when many focus on holiday and end-of-year giving.	T.M.	Moved	Yes
	S.B.	2nd	Yes
	M.M.		Yes

Motion to approve a Proclamation to recognize all Veterans and to express our gratitude toward all those who have served in the past, are currently serving and will serve in the future.	T.M.	2nd	Yes
	S.B.	Moved	Yes
	M.M.		Yes

**EXPENDITURES**

Motion to approve disbursements for the period 09/30/2017 – 10/26/2017 \$6,872,219.89.	T.M.	Moved	Yes
	S.B.	2nd	Yes
	M.M.		Yes

**INVESTMENTS**

Motion to approve the following financial investments as listed:

**INVESTMENTS DATED 1/25/17**

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
RETIREMENT PNC CK	RETIREMENT PNC MMKT	\$ 90,725.00
TAX LIEN PNC SWP	TAX LIEN FNB/PA IMM	\$ 24,157.00

**INVESTMENTS DATED 8/1/17**

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
FED BRIDGE PNC CK	FED BRIDGE FARMERS MMKT2	\$ 55,997.00

**INVESTMENTS DATED 8/2/17**

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
TAX LIEN PNC SWP	TAX LIEN FNB/PA IMM	\$ 319,216.00
CLRK CRT AUTO PNC CK	CLRK CRT AUTO NORTHWEST MMKT	\$ 1,257.00
2001 CAP BOND SINK PNC CK	2001 CAP BOND SINK FNB/PA IMM	\$ 250,250.00

**INVESTMENTS DATED 8/16/17**

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
RETIREMENT PNC CK	RETIREMENT PNC MMKT	\$ 73,861.00

**INVESTMENTS DATED 8/17/17**

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
2001 CAP BOND SINK PNC CK	2001 CAP BOND SINK FNB/PA IMM	\$ 160.00

**INVESTMENTS DATED 8/17/17**

<b>FROM</b>	<b>TO</b>	<b>AMOUNT</b>
CLRK OF CRT AUTO PNC CK	CLRK OF CRTS AUTO NORTHWEST MMKT	\$ 477.00
MHDS PNC CK	MHDS FNB/PA IMM	\$ 736,482.00

T.M.	Moved	Yes
S.B.	2nd	Yes
M.M.		Yes

**EXONERATIONS**

Motion to approve the following exoneration(s) being granted as listed:  
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<b>TAX COLLECTOR</b>	<b>TAXING DISTRICT</b>	<b>COUNTY PER CAPITA - EXONS</b>	<b>COUNTY PER CAPITA - TBC</b>	<b>TAX YEAR</b>	<b>CANCELLED</b>
Lori McKnight	Clark Boro	\$ 35.00	\$	2017	
Debra Rodemoyer	Delaware Twp	\$ 290.00	\$	2017	
Karen Shipton	Findley Twp	\$ 280.00	\$	2017	
William Blatt	Hempfield Twp	\$ 65.00	\$	2017	
Bernadette Harry	City of Hermitage	\$ 1,670.00	\$	2017	
Bernadette Harry	City of Hermitage	\$ 535.00	\$	2017	
Leona McIntire	Jackson Twp	\$ 10.00	\$	2017	
Robin Snyder	Jefferson Twp	\$ 35.00	\$	2017	
Suzanne Carter Barner	Mercer Boro	\$ 145.00	\$	2017	
Carrie Jo Steese	Pine Twp	\$ 605.00	\$	2017	
Niki Giardina	Pymatuning Twp	\$ 115.00	\$	2017	
Joni Maybee	Salem Twp	\$ 10.00	\$	2017	
Carolyn Chess	Sandy Creek Twp	\$ 5.00	\$	2017	
Lea Anne Dumars	South Pymatuning Twp	\$ 315.00	\$	2017	
Jill Niddel	Wheatland Boro	\$ 5.00	\$	2017	
		\$ 4,120.00	\$ 0.00		

T.M.	Moved	Yes
S.B.	2nd	Yes
M.M.		Yes

**REFUNDS**

Motion to approve the following refund(s) as listed:

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<b>NAME/ADDRESS</b>	<b>DISTRICT</b>	<b>PER CAPITA</b>	<b>R. E.</b>	<b>REFUND</b>	<b>REASON</b>
Quaker Meadows 229 Huber Village Blvd Suite 100 Westerville OH 43081	Hermitage		X	\$ 17,715.20	Court Ordered Assessment Appeal

T.M.	Moved	Yes
S.B.	2nd	Yes
M.M.		Yes

**CYS**

Motion to enter into agreement(s) with the following providers for the following services being provided:

EFFECTIVE July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018

<b>VENDOR</b>	<b>PROGRAM</b>	<b>RATE</b>	<b>TERM</b>
The Devereux Foundation	Intellectual & Developmental Disabilities- Full Funding	312.00	Day
2012 Renaissance Blvd King of Prussia, PA 16137	IDD – Placement Maint (Co-Fund)	122.00	Day
	Disruptive Behavior Disorders – Full Funding	304.00	Day
	DBD – Placement Maint (Co-Fund)	168.00	Day
	Sexual Responsibility Prog – Full Funding	352.00	Day
	SRP – Placement Maint (Co-Fund)	216.00	Day
	TF Prog – Intensive F.C. – Ages 0-12	169.96	Day
	TF Prog- Intensive F.C. – Ages 13+	179.99	Day
	One to One Services	35.00	Hourly
	DCBHC – Acute Care	886.00	Day
	Brandywine – Residential	368.00	Day
Stone & Gables – Residential	371.00	Day	

Mapleton – Residential	389.00	Day
One to One Services – Residential	40.00	Hourly
Personal & Clothing Allowance	4.00	Day

T.M.	Moved	Yes
S.B.	2nd	Yes
M.M.		Yes

**HUMAN RESOURCES**

Motion to approve the following Human Resources actions:

<b>NAME/POSITION</b>	<b>EFFECTIVE</b>	<b>LEVEL/STEP/GRADE</b>
<b><u>NEW HIRES</u></b>		
<b>DISTRICT ATTORNEY:</b>		
Kara Rice Assistant District Attorney	11/6/2017	PA09-04-01 (\$57,561/yr.)
<b>CHILDREN &amp; YOUTH:</b>		
Erin Downes Caseworker I	10/30/2017	YCW 00-01 (\$17.33/hr.)
Jysseca Edwards Caseworker I	11/1/2017	YCW 00-01 (\$17.33/hr.)
<b>JUDGE YEATTS:</b>		
Barbara Buckley Tip Staff/Court Crier	11/21/2017	CRPD1-20-00 (\$74.50/day)
<b><u>TRANSFERS</u></b>		
<b>CHILDREN &amp; YOUTH:</b>		
Anelise Hoffman Clerk Typist	10/30/2017	PA05-01-01 (\$17.86/hr.) Information Technology Technician
<b><u>SEPARATION FROM EMPLOYMENT</u></b>		
<b>DISTRICT ATTORNEY:</b>		
Tyler Heckathorn Assistant District Attorney	10/20/2017	

**COMMISSIONERS:**

Tim Hofius  
Temporary Part-Time Chief  
Clerk

10/31/2017

T.M.	Moved	Yes
S.B.	2nd	Yes
M.M.		Yes

**RESOLUTIONS**

Motion to adopt Resolution 2017-12 to further Fair Housing throughout Mercer County as required by the Pennsylvania Community Development Block Grant program.	T.M.	Moved	Yes
	S.B.	2nd	Yes
	M.M.		Yes

**MOTION TO ENTER INTO SERVICE AGREEMENTS**

Motion to adopt a Minority and Women’s Business Enterprise Plan as required by the Pennsylvania Community Development Block Grant Program.	T.M.	Moved	Yes
	S.B.	2nd	Yes
	M.M.		Yes

Motion to adopt a Section 3 Plan as required by the Pennsylvania Community Development Block Grant program.

Motion to adopt a Citizen Participation Plan as required by the Pennsylvania Community Development Block Grant Program.

Motion to adopt a Residential Anti-Displacement and Relocation Plan as required by the Pennsylvania Community Development Block Grant program.

Motion to adopt a Language Access Plan as required by the Pennsylvania Community Development Block Grant program.

Motion to adopt a Program Income Reuse Plan as required by the Pennsylvania Community Development Block Grant program.

Motion to enter in DCED Model B Agreement between Mercer County and Greenville, Grove City, Sharpsville Boroughs and Pine Township to jointly apply and contract for their 2017 CDBG Entitlement funds with PA DCED.

Motion to enter into a Cooperation Agreement between the County of Mercer and the Mercer County Regional Planning Commission to administer the Mercer County 2017 Community Development Block Grant Program.

**MOTION**

Motion to direct Conservation Officer director Jay Russell to develop bid specifications for field work required in 2018 to rehabilitate certain features of the seven county-owned flood control dams. The preliminary estimate of total cost (engineering and construction) is \$140,000.	T.M.	Moved	Yes
	S.B.	2nd	Yes
	M.M.		Yes

Motion to present for public inspection the Mercer County proposed budget for the year 2018. The budget will be adopted at the Commissioners Meeting December 7, 2017.	T.M.	Moved	Yes
	S.B.	2nd	Yes
	M.M.		Yes

Discussion by John Logan about budget recap and reductions in General Fund and Bond Sinking Fund millage rates for 2018. Excellent and thoughtful management by the Commissioners, Officials, and Department Heads in returning revenue and increasing services to the citizenry. Cover memo and budget recap available in the Chief Clerk’s Office.

Motion to approve the attached list of Voting Machine Inspectors for the November 7, 2017 Municipal Election	T.M.	Moved	Yes
	S.B.	2nd	Yes
	M.M.		Yes

**GRANTS**

Motion to accept grant award from Buhl Regional Health Foundation in the amount of \$17,000 to Mercer County for the benefit of the Criminal Justice Advisory Board for Crisis Intervention Team trainings from January 1, 2018 – December 31, 2018. The trainings provide crisis intervention skills to police officers and first responders in dealing with those with mental illness thus redirecting them from the judicial system and health care system.	T.M.	Moved	Yes
	S.B.	2nd	Yes
	M.M.		Yes

Motion to accept a grant award of \$163,797 from Juvenile Court Judges' Commission of the Office of General Counsel, Commonwealth of PA, to assist Mercer County with the execution of our Juvenile Probation Services plan for the period 07/01/17 – 06/30/2018. JPO programs are broad-based, with people assigned to School Based, Community Based, and Community Liaison efforts. In addition, they work on Juvenile Justice System Enhancement Strategies.

T.M.	Moved	Yes
S.B.	2nd	Yes
M.M.		Yes

**Old Business: None**

**New Business: None**

**Recess to Salary Board:**

**Public Comment:** Commissioner McConnell responded to concerns from citizens at a prior meeting about the opioid crisis. He commended Frank Jannetti, Director of EMS/911, who received an award from the FBI Director for the Region 13, Pittsburgh Fusion Project. It was the only opioid program recognized nationally and this is a distinct honor for Mercer County. The County continues to be pro-active in program participation to assist in solving the prescription drug and opioid crisis.

**Questions of the Media: Questions were answered.**

**Motion to adjourn:**

**Moved: Mr. McGonigle**

**Seconded: Mr. Boyd**

**Attest:**

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**Chief Clerk**

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**Mercer County Board of Commissioners**