

MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

July 12, 2018

Attendance	Present	Absent	By Phone	Notes
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, Nicki Biles, Jeff Greenburg, Jennifer Hamilton, John Logan, Ann Morrison, Debra Sicilian, Dee Dee Zickar, Ron McCall, Kelley Coey, Jodi Fetchko, Nikki Cadman, Tammy McLaughlin, Eric Poole, Molly Moser

General Discussion Items: See Below

Commissioners recognized the 4-H Roundup that will be held July 29 - August 4, 2018 at the Mercer County Fairgrounds. The 4H youth are actively involved in 30 different clubs in Mercer County. Please come support the cheese and livestock auctions. We want to recognize the youth in our County who are making such a difference.

During the last week, the Commissioners attended two events in neighboring Butler County. Secretary Redding of the Department of Agriculture held a "Dairy Forum" at Butler County Community College with multiple counties including Mercer. It focused on the importance of dairy in PA and its economic impact. Mercer is host to both Dean Dairy, a processor, and to the cheese manufacturing business.

A concern is that fat free milk in the schools is changing the drinking habits of children. Typically children prefer 1% or higher fat content/chocolate milk versus skim milk. The chocolate skim milk is being discarded by students and is not being consumed. During slow economic times, such as 2008, milk production increased as more families ate at home.

Dairy is a \$14.7 BN industry to PA. The Commissioners thanked the Farmers in the community and they said the plant code to buy PA produced milk is 42. Use the website: www.whereismymilkfrom.com to find out where your milk is produced. It will identify the exact dairy.

The Northwest County Commissioners Association met and toured the Mines in Boyers. The Mines employ @ 2,500 people. The concern is that OPM (Office of Professional Management) may be relocating from the mines. Approximately 2,000 of the jobs are government based/related positions. Estimates are that 40% of these jobs are Mercer County residents. Multiple sources of electricity are used to operate the Mines. This creates efficiencies and redundancy. The Mines are not susceptible to tornadoes and EMP (electro-magnetic pulse) do not penetrate limestone in the mines. These are all benefits to the security of maintaining jobs and sensitive records at the Mines.

Logan commented that the budget process is underway for 2019. The Fiscal Office will be sending out information to each department for their input.

Greenburg comments that the state may issue a bond for the purchase of the newly mandated voting machines, however this may not be until late summer of 2019. CCAP (County Commissioners Assn of PA) has stated that they want no county match required. The vendors have complemented Mercer County on the safety and security of its voting machines. Fiscal Office continues to express its concern that we do not need to replace the current system. Greenburg is working to schedule two more vendors in July/August.

Greenburg announced that the Board of Elections has approved the Wheatland Borough Home Rule ballot study question. Documents are to be filed by 8-7-18. Candidates may circulate petitions between 8-7-18 and 8-28-18.

Commissioners said that Wilmington Township has seven pre-stressed concrete 65' bridge beams which could be used for a bridge replacement on Bend Road in 5-8 years. Discussions are ongoing.

Introduction of Veterans ID Card program by Recorder of Deeds and Veterans Affairs Office: Recorder Zickar is interested in honoring our veterans. She and the Veterans Affairs Office are working on a Veterans ID Discount Card that can be produced at the same time the Veteran files their DD214 discharge papers. Multiple requests have been received from veterans for a discount program. Several counties in PA participate in a similar veterans program.

Although the VA healthcare system has a card, it is inconsistent in its acceptance. The goal is to rollout the program on Veterans Day, 2018. Details of the program will be determined as to the discounts offered and the issuance of cards to Veterans/Family Members. The Recorder's Office needs to meet with vendors to produce the card (software/hardware). A solicitation will be sent to all businesses to participate in the program. The Commissioners recognized and thanked the Recorder of Deeds/Veterans Affairs Office for spearheading the project. They implored the community to be a part of the program.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None.

2018-184 RESOLUTION to approve **6/28/2018** Commissioners' Meeting MINUTES.

RESOLUTION adopted:

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PROCLAMATIONS

2018-185 RESOLUTION to approve a PROCLAMATION to recognize MERCER COUNTY CAMP K.I.D.S. program for 5th and 6th graders. Mercer County Behavioral Health Commission, Inc. has presented the program at the courthouse since 1991.

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EXPENDITURES

2018-186 RESOLUTION to approve DISBURSEMENTS for the period of 06/01/2018-06/30/2018 in the amount of \$ 4,738,054.58.

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EXONERATIONS

#2018-187 RESOLUTION to approve the following EXONERATION(s) being granted as listed effective 07/12/2018.

TAX COLLECTOR	TAXING DISTRICT	COUNTY PER CAPITA - EXONS	COUNTY PER CAPITA - TBC	TAX YEAR
Susan K Pears	Fairview Twp	\$ 5.00	\$	2018
Jill Niddel	Wheatland Boro	\$ 15.00	\$	2018
		\$ 20.00	\$ 0.00	

CANCELLED

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HUMAN RESOURCES

2018-188 RESOLUTION to approve the following HUMAN RESOURCES actions.

NAME/POSITION	EFFECTIVE	LEVEL/STEP/GRADE
NEW HIRES		
JAIL:		
David Grim Part-Time Corrections Officer	7/10/2018	JCO 00-00 (\$14.67/hr.)
Jason Vandegrift Part-Time Corrections Officer	7/10/2018	JCO 00-00 (\$14.67/hr.)
RECORDER:		
Susan Hurtt-Leighty Clerical Assistant	7/23/2018	TCC04-00-01 (\$15.18/hr.)
TAX ASSESSMENT:		
Karen Dyer Clerical Assistant	7/18/2018	TCC04-00-01 (\$15.18/hr.)

NAME/POSITION

EFFECTIVE

LEVEL/STEP/GRADE

TRANSFERS

TAX CLAIM:

Jamie Kerr
Senior Procedure Clerk

7/30/2018

TCC06-04-LP (\$18.12/hr.)
Transfer from Clerical Assistant

CHILDREN & YOUTH:

Ryan Valenly
Temporary Full-Time Caseworker
Supervisor/Program Specialist I

8/27/2018

PA07-04-02 (\$23.43/hr.)
Transfer from Caseworker
Supervisor

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APPOINTMENTS

RESOLUTION

2018-189

Confirm the following appointments/re-appointments to the WEST CENTRAL WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD for the term as specified:

NAME	REPRESENTS	TERM
Ms. Holly Campbell	Education & Training - HUD	07/01/2018–06/30/2021
Mr. Nathaniel Hamilla	Business	07/01/2018–06/30/2021
Mr. Tony Miller	Workforce – CTC/Perkins	07/01/2018–06/30/2021
Ms. Pamela Muras	Business	07/01/2018–06/30/2020
Mr. Frank Staszko	State Employment Service Office under Wagner-Peyser	05/01/2018–06/30/2020
Mr. John Greenwood	Business	07/01/2018–06/30/2020

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BRIDGE

RESOLUTION # 2018-190	VENDOR/CONTRACT N/A	AMOUNT < \$1,000.00	DATE RANGE Effective 07/12/2018
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Approve disposal of approximately 160 road signs, posts and miscellaneous hardware in “as-in” condition. The lot was previously posted for sale and no bids were received as of end of business on July 9, 2018. County will certify as to original ownership of signs.

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MIS

RESOLUTION # 2018-191	VENDOR/CONTRACT AEC 3000 Montour Church Road Oakdale, PA 15071	AMOUNT \$8,379.84	DATE RANGE 07/01/2018–07/01/2019
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Approve contract for a 3-year maintenance agreement, support, and updates for Veeam Backup Software (County Backup Software).

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CONSERVATION DISTRICT

RESOLUTION # 2018-192	VENDOR/CONTRACT Mercer County	AMOUNT \$51,033.19	DATE RANGE 07/01/2018–06/30/2019
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Amend Memorandum of Understanding for the purpose of hiring and employing an Agricultural Resource Conservationist II for the period noted above at no cost to the County. The Mercer County Conservation District will reimburse the County for pay and benefits related to this position.

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RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-193	GAI Consultants, Inc. (GAI) 203 West Weber Avenue DuBois, PA 15801	\$6,500.00	07/12/2018–12/31/2018

Approve agreement to complete annual inspections of seven (7) county owned dams in accordance with (PA-DEP) Department of environmental protection regulations.

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# 2018-194	Slippery Rock University Slippery Rock, PA 16057	N/A	07/15/2018–07/15/2023

Approve Internship Agreement for a five-year term. Interns may serve in a non-paid capacity at the discretion of the County. The University will manage the educational oversight and credits earned. Interns may serve in any eligible department based on the job description approved by the County.

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GRANTS

RESOLUTION	GRANTOR	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-195	PA Department of Community and Economic Development (DCED) Commonwealth Keystone Building 400 North Street, 4th Floor Harrisburg, PA 17120-0225	\$288,200.00	Effective 07/12/2018

Apply for an Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG) contracted by the County for sub-recipient AWARE, Inc. Funds will be used for essential services, operations, and renovations for emergency housing programs. AWARE, Inc. will include in the grant application a request for Rapid Rehousing funds including utility assistance and admin cost for housing inspections. Rapid Rehousing funds are used to assist with permanent housing for homeless clients. All match dollars are provided by AWARE, Inc. No County match required.

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RESOLUTION	GRANTOR	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-196	Commonwealth of PA Department of Human Services	\$1,140,041.00	07/01/2018–06/30/2019

Accept Medical Assistance Transportation Program (MATP) Grant award. Funds to be administered per MATP Standards and Guidelines, Title 55, Pennsylvania Code, Part IV, Chapter 2070 and State and other Federal guidelines as outlined.

DISCUSSION: Usually Area Agency on Aging administers the transportation program. The state budget was amended, when they applied for a Federal waiver, and it now requires a bidding process. The Commissioners are notifying AAA of the change.

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Old Business: None.

New Business: The Commissioners acknowledged Tyler Hudson and representatives of his project team. Penn Northwest Development Corporation has been awarded a \$500,000 RACP (Redevelopment Assistance Capital Program) grant for the installation of water and sewer utilities. This will benefit multiple people. Pine and Findley Townships have been very cooperative in assisting with re-zoning the site to an “office, business and light industrial” park. Mercer County is asked to serve as the Host Municipality. Following a review of documentation by counsel, it is expected that the request will be voted on in August.

Recess to Salary Board

Public Comment: None.

Questions of the Media: None.

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle

Seconded: Mr. Boyd

Attest:

Chief Clerk

Mercer County Board of Commissioners