#### MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## May 23, 2024

Members Present: Commissioner Coleman, Commissioner Finley, Commissioner McGonigle

**Prayer:** Pastor Rick Stauffer, Covenant Presbyterian Church, Sharon

Pledge of Allegiance: Was held.

**Others Present:** Nicki Biles, Tim Callahan, Cathy Herriott, Jared Hoffacker, Bill McClure, Tammy McLaughlin, Katie Walker, Amber White, Shelby Andresky, Rick Stauffer, Diane Syphert, Dave Moyer, Annette Dohanics, Cindy Whitman, Mackenzie Meyer, Melissa Klaric, Holly Patterson, Joanie Micsky, Bill McConnell, Roni Shilling

**General Discussion Items:** One request for Use of Courthouse Grounds was approved. This application is for the Mercer Memorial Day 500 on May 26 and 27, 2024.

Commissioner Coleman advised the Salary Board Meeting has been postponed due to Controller Sherman not being available for today's meeting and that an agreement needs to be reached by all parties involved regarding the reimbursement to the County for Special Project Pay by Commissioner Coleman and Commissioner Finley.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None

# 2024-220 RESOLUTION to approve 05/16/2024 Commissioners' Meeting MINUTES:

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

**Vote:** Yes-Mr. McGonigle Yes-Mr. Finley Yes-Dr. Coleman

## **REFUNDS**

# 2024-221 RESOLUTION to approve the following REFUND(s) listed effective 05/23/2024:

NAME/ADDRESS Chutz, Dennis & Gail 113 Old Hickory Lane Grove City, PA 16127	<b>DISTRICT</b> Pine Twp	R.E. X	<b>REFUND</b> \$ 28.68	REASON Part Land/Deed Transfer
Chutz, Dennis & Gail 113 Old Hickory Lane Grove City, PA 16127	Pine Twp	X	\$ 77.35	Part Land/Deed Transfer
Wagler, LLC P.O. Box 33 Stoneboro, PA 16153	Stoneboro Boro	X	\$375.47	Pictometry-moved buildings to correct parcel

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Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

**Vote:** Yes-Mr. McGonigle Yes-Mr. Finley Yes-Dr. Coleman

### CYS

# 2024-222 RESOLUTION to enter into AGREEMENT(s) with the following providers for services listed

EFFECTIVE 07/01/2023 - 06/30/2024

VENDOR	PROGRAM	RATE	TERM
Summit School dba	Summit Residential	\$264.50	Daily
Summit Academy	Summit Drug & Alcohol	\$338.18	Daily
839 Herman Road	Summit Shelter	\$362.00	Daily
Herman, PA 16039	Summit Specialized Settings	\$391.51	Daily
	Summit Intense Specialized Settings	\$750.42	Daily

# EFFECTIVE 07/01/2024 - 06/30/2025

VENDOR	PROGRAM	RATE	TERM
Jefferson County	Jefferson County,	\$225.00	Daily
<b>Juvenile Detention</b>	Ohio Juvenile Detention	\$275.00	Daily

**Center** \*Addendum Rate to the 24-25 Contract

**Ohio Department of** \*\*Please note that of the \$275 per day, \$85 is 100%

Youth Detention county funded

Central Counties Juvenile Detention \$595.00 Daily

Youth Center

148 Paradise Road Bellefonte, PA 16823

<u>Discussion</u>: Director of Children and Youth Services, Katie Walker, advises these are standard contracts.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

**Vote:** Yes-Mr. McGonigle Yes-Mr. Finley Yes-Dr. Coleman

# **HUMAN RESOURCES**

# 2024-223 RESOLUTION to approve the following HUMAN RESOURCES actions:

NAME/POSITION	<b>EFFECTIVE</b>	LEVEL/STEP/GRADE
NEW HIRES		
SOIL CONSERVATION		
Jenna Pontius	5/28/2024	ENVI1-10-00 (\$13.00/hr.)
Part-Time Intern		
CORONER		
Bailey Grossman	5/24/2024	No Salary/No Benefits
Intern		

5/23/2024

Jacqueline Cingolani 5/24/2024 No Salary/No Benefits

Intern

Kayla Young 5/24/2024 No Salary/No Benefits

Intern

### **SEPARATION FROM EMPLOYMENT**

JAIL

Micah Calvin 5/29/2024

**Corrections Officer** 

Matthew Mills 5/15/2024

Part-Time Corrections Officer

<u>Discussion</u>: Mr. McGonigle advised the three interns at the Coroner's Officer are not scheduled every day and that the interns are available at various times and days throughout the week.

**Moved:** Mr. McGonigle **Seconded:** Mr. Finley

**Vote:** Yes-Mr. McGonigle Yes-Mr. Finley Yes-Dr. Coleman

<u>JAIL</u>

RESOLUTION VENDOR/CONTRACT AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# 2024-224 Lawrence County \$400.00/daily 06/01/2024-06/01/2025

430 Court Street New Castle, PA 16101

Resolution to approve a one year agreement to obtain temporary space on an as-needed basis for housing detainees, including youthful offenders, in the Lawrence County Correctional Facility. Agreement made in accordance with the laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania with jurisdiction in either the Court of Common Pleas of Mercer County or Lawrence County.

<u>Discussion</u>: Commissioner Coleman stated we have a good relationship with Lawrence County, and we try to share resources with them. This agreement is a benefit to our Courts especially with youthful offenders.

Commissioner McGonigle advised the Mercer County Jail is not set up to hold youthful offenders and that Lawrence County has special pods where the juvenile offenders are placed entirely separated from adult offenders, which is a requirement.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

**Vote:** Yes-Mr. McGonigle Yes-Mr. Finley Yes-Dr. Coleman

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### **RECORDER OF DEEDS**

RESOLUTION VENDOR/CONTRACT AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# **2024-225** N/A N/A Effective 05/23/2024

Resolution to authorize the Recorder of Deeds to update Realty Transfer Tax software to reflect a new category for collection of Realty Transfer Tax for properties located in the former Borough of Wheatland in light of the Hermitage/Wheatland merger.

<u>Discussion</u>: Solicitor McConnell explained the unique situation of the merger between Hermitage and Wheatland and the transfer tax for the local school districts. He advised the software update will place the paid taxes as income for the correct school district.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

**Vote:** Yes-Mr. McGonigle Yes-Mr. Finley Yes-Dr. Coleman

**SHERIFF** 

RESOLUTION VENDOR AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# 2024-226 First Response Training \$29,918.00 Effective 05/20/2024

Service, LLC

142 Hamilton Street Ext. Jefferson, PA 15344

Resolution to approve purchase of thirteen AEDs and accessories to be used in County buildings and County vehicles. Cost will be reimbursed via the PCoRP Loss Prevention Grant.

Discussion: Sheriff Callahan reports that of the thirteen AEDs, ten will be placed in the Sheriff's Office cruisers and the remaining three will be placed the Juvenile Probation County vehicles.

<u>Discussion</u>: Sheriff Callahan thanked Chief Deputy Moyer and Fiscal Director Nicki Biles for their efforts in getting this project completed.

Commissioner McGonigle said this a perfect time for this resolution since it is EMS Week. He would like to thank all of our EMS providers and ambulance companies; Superior, Elite, Shenango Township Volunteer Fire Department, EmergyCare, McGonigle's Ambulance Service, and all of our frontline workers. We are grateful for their service.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

**Vote:** Yes-Mr. McGonigle Yes-Mr. Finley Yes-Dr. Coleman

**VOTER REGISTRATION/ELECTION** 

RESOLUTION VENDOR/CONTRACT AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# **2024-227** N/A N/A Effective 05/23/2024

Resolution to approve the destruction of all 2020 general election documents and records required by Federal and State Law to be retained for twenty-two (22) months and until all litigation and PA Department of State voting analysis is completed. All retention requirements have now been satisfied or completed, permitting destruction of these documents.

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Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

**Vote:** Yes-Mr. McGonigle Yes-Mr. Finley Yes-Dr. Coleman

**GRANTS** 

RESOLUTION GRANTOR: AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# 2024-228 Pennsylvania Commission Up to Effective 05/23/2024

On Crime and Delinquency \$94,879.00

3101 N. Front Street Harrisburg, PA 17110

Resolution to approve application, not to exceed \$94,879.00, for the 2023/2024 Indigent Defense Grant Program. This is for the benefit of Indigent Defense provided by the Mercer County Public Defender's Office and Conflict Counsel. Mercer County will utilize the Public Defender's Office to fulfill these objectives. These are State funds. The grant period will be 07/01/2024 – 12/31/2025. No County match required. Grant cannot supplant existing County-level spending. Application is due 05/23/2024.

<u>Discussion</u>: First Assistant Public Defendant Annette Dohanics advises this PCCD grant was approved by the Defense Advisory Committee and allows for a correct and effective defense for the Public Defender's clients.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

**Vote:** Yes-Mr. McGonigle Yes-Mr. Finley Yes-Dr. Coleman

**GRANTS** 

RESOLUTION GRANTOR: AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# **2024-229** PCoRP Up to 06/01/2023-05/31/2024

P.O. Box 60769 \$30,000.00

Harrisburg, PA 17106-0769

Resolution to approve application for the PCoRP Loss Prevention Grant to offset the cost of the purchase of thirteen AEDs and accessories to be used in County buildings and County vehicles. Total cost is \$29,918.00

**Moved:** Mr. McGonigle **Seconded:** Mr. Finley

**Vote:** Yes-Mr. McGonigle Yes-Mr. Finley Yes-Dr. Coleman

**Old Business:** None

**New Business:** Commissioner Coleman congratulated Shelby Andresky for being honored by the Shenango Valley Chamber of Commerce at the 30 Under 40 Dinner. Shelby Andresky briefly discussed her career at Children and Youth Services.

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**Public Comment:** Diane Syphert expressed her thanks to Commissioner Coleman and Commissioner Finley for taking responsibility with the Special Pay situation in the Controller's Office and her displeasure with Controller Sherman.

Commissioner Finley commented on EMS Week, saying EMS Services are sometimes taken for granted and for everyone to remember these workers are essential and there for everyone when needed. Commissioner McGonigle advised the next EMT Class is full and there are twenty signed up for the following class.

Questions of the Media: None	
Motion to Adjourn	
Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Finley
Attest:	
Chief Clerk	Mercer County Board of Commissioners

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