

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

**August 5, 2021**

<b>Attendance</b>	<b>Present</b>	<b>Absent</b>	<b>By Phone</b>
Timothy M. McGonigle	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scott Boyd	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Matthew B. McConnell	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Pledge of Allegiance:** Was held.

**Others Present:** Tom Amundsen, Jared Hoffacker, John Logan, Bill Madden, Ann Morrison, Amber White, Mitchell Henderson, Steve Sherman, Melissa Klaric, Caleb Stright

**General Discussion Items:** See Below.

Commissioners announced that they attended the annual County Commissioners Association of Pennsylvania (CCAP) convention. It was very productive and was the first in-person event in over a year. Discussions included development of new technologies for rural broadband including low flying satellites. This is a unique and new option. Current demonstrations are based on small census tract samplings. More information is forthcoming, and the technology may be introduced to Mercer County in the future. The Commissioners continue to pursue all options for prospective funding to support the expansion of broadband services.

Additional presentations at the conference included discussions to replace the “gasoline tax.” It is a complex problem. One of the impact areas is to look at reducing the costs of the design phase for bridges so more funding could be committed to bridge repair and replacement.

CCAP hosted a session on solar energy. Mercer County has the largest number of active permits among the counties in Pennsylvania. Eighteen (18) permits are active and fourteen (14) permits will be resubmitted for review. Participation in the state program “Clean and Green” is not beneficial to landowners in Mercer County because we use 1970 land values for real estate tax purposes, which allows leases for solar farms to be negotiated at a lower price.

**Public Comment on Agenda Items:** None.

**# 2021-292 RESOLUTION to approve 7/29/2021 Commissioners’ Meeting MINUTES.**

RESOLUTION adopted:

	<b>Moved</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Timothy M. McGonigle	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scott Boyd	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Matthew B. McConnell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**REFUNDS**

# **2021-293** RESOLUTION to approve the following REFUNDS(s) listed effective 08/05/2021

NAME/ADDRESS	DISTRICT	R. E.	REFUND	REASON
Kenneth L & Connie J Scott 137 Gearhart Rd Pulaski, PA 16143	Shenango Twp	X	\$35.63	Add/Remove Existing Improvements
Richard Bianco 49 Sharon-Bedford Rd West Middlesex, PA 16159	Shenango Twp	X	\$9.65	Add/Remove Existing Improvements
Norma Jean Black 510 Pulaski Mercer Rd New Wilmington, PA 16142	Wilmington Twp	X	\$8.50	Part Land Transfer

RESOLUTION adopted:

	Moved	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Yes	No	Abstain
Timothy M. McGonigle	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scott Boyd	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Matthew B. McConnell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**CYS**

# **2021-294** RESOLUTION to enter into AGREEMENTS(s) with the following providers for services being provided.

EFFECTIVE 07/01/2021—06/30/2022

VENDOR	PROGRAM	RATE	TERM
<b>Keystone Adolescent Center</b> 201 Main Street Greenville, PA 16125	Group Home – Male	\$ 173.80	Daily
	Group Home – Female	\$ 182.97	Daily
	Transitional Living – Male	\$ 151.46	Daily
	Transitional Living – Female	\$ 167.00	Daily
	Foster Care – Age -0-11	\$ 78.00	Daily
	Foster Care – 12 and older	\$ 83.00	Daily
	Mother/Baby	\$ 118.00	Daily
	Supported Placement I & II	\$ 91.00	Daily
	Supported Placement III & IV	\$ 106.00	Daily

	Medically Dependent	\$	91.00	Daily
	Diagnostic Program	\$	1,950.00	Flat
	One-on-One Coaching/Counseling	\$	42.00	Hour
<b>Crossroads Group Homes &amp; Services, Inc.</b> 1243 Roemer Blvd. Farrell, PA 16121	Girls Shelter Care	\$	150.00	Daily
	Boys Shelter Care	\$	125.00	Daily
<b>Cray Youth &amp; Family Services, Inc.</b> 44 South Beaver Street New Castle, PA 16101	Foster Care	\$	52.46	Daily
	Specialized Foster Care	\$	91.00	Daily
<b>Pathways Adolescent Center</b> 370 North Seneca Street Oil City, PA 16301	Pathways	\$	158.00	Daily
	New Beginnings	\$	165.00	Daily
	Transitional Living	\$	155.00	Daily
	NB Transitional Living	\$	185.00	Daily
<b>Bethesda Lutheran Services</b> 15487 State Highway 86 Meadville, PA 16335	Walnut Corners Group Home	\$	292.71	Daily
	Unit A - ISU	\$	306.40	Daily
	Unit A – ISU – Shelter	\$	290.53	Daily
	Claney - ISU	\$	306.40	Daily
	Claney – ISU – Shelter	\$	290.53	Daily
	Shelter with additional Diagnostic	\$	45.00	Daily
	Right Start Program – Baby Only	\$	85.00	Daily
	Right Start – Mother/Expectant Mom	\$	306.40	Daily
	Right Start – Mother & Baby	\$	391.40	Daily
	Right Start Program – Shelter	\$	290.53	Daily
	Transitional Living	\$	165.38	Daily
	Peterson Home	\$	218.90	Daily
	Foster Care - 0-12	\$	61.62	Daily
	Foster Care – 13-21	\$	66.56	Daily
	Therapeutic Foster Care 0-12	\$	77.02	Daily
	Therapeutic Foster Care 13-21	\$	82.02	Daily
Foster Care w/Case Mgmt. 0-12	\$	122.60	Daily	
Foster Care w/Case Mgmt. 13-21	\$	127.60	Daily	
<b>The Bair Foundation of Pennsylvania</b> 245 High Street New Wilmington, PA 16142	Foster Care – Supported	\$	84.36	Daily
	Medically Needy – Levels I & II	\$	72.07	Daily
	Medically Needy – Levels III & IV	\$	77.02	Daily

	Traditional Foster/Kinship Care 0-11	\$	73.38	Daily
	Traditional Foster/Kinship Care 12-21	\$	78.38	Daily
	Supported Foster/Kinship Care	\$	99.82	Daily
	Young Parent/Non-Dependent Infant			
	Structured Intervention Foster Care	\$	88.55	Daily
	Treatment Foster Care	\$	175.00	Daily
	Community Residential Rehabilitation	\$	34.67	Daily
<b>Outside-In School of Experiential Education, Inc.</b> Box 639 Greensburg, PA 15601	Pathway to Recovery Residential	\$	290.00	Daily
	Voyagers Residential	\$	266.58	Daily
<b>Adelphoi Village, Inc.</b> 1119 Village Way Latrobe, PA 15650	Intensive Supervision – Female	\$	298.99	Daily
	Intensive Supervision – MH Focus – Female	\$	325.40	Daily
	Intensive Supervision – Male	\$	280.40	Daily
	Enhanced Supervision – Male	\$	351.22	Daily
	Substance Abuse	\$	301.32	Daily
	Sexual Offenses	\$	270.78	Daily
	Sexual Offenses – MH Focus – Male	\$	325.40	Daily
	Sexual Offenses – La Sa Quik	\$	316.90	Daily
	Shelter	\$	296.66	Daily
	Secure – Sexual Offenses	\$	408.31	Daily
	Secure	\$	373.78	Daily
	Specialized Independent Living	\$	246.96	Daily
	Foster Care – Intensive/Kinship	\$	87.53	Daily
	Foster Care – Pregnant and Parenting	\$	93.63	Daily
Foster Care – Teen Focused	\$	101.96	Daily	
<b>Mark Goral, Ph.D., DABPS</b> 100 West Ridge Avenue, Suite J Sharpsville, PA 16150	Individual Intensive Sexual Offender Treatment	\$	70.00	Hourly
	Comprehensive Psychological Forensic Sex Offender Examination	\$	50.00	Hourly
	Family Psychotherapy Session	\$	75.00	Hourly
	All Court Related Work	\$	150.00	Hourly
<b>Peter Von Korff, Ph.D.</b> P.O. Box 231 Bemus Point, NY 14712-0231	Cognitive Assessment	\$	100.00	Hourly
	Bonding Assessment	\$	100.00	Hourly
	Mental Health Assessment	\$	100.00	Hourly

<b>Mercer County Behavioral Health Commission, Inc.</b> 8406 Sharon-Mercer Road Mercer, PA 16137	Child Advocacy Center	\$	54,031.00	Annually
	Strengthening Families Program	\$	84,859.00	Annually
<b>Shenango Valley Urban League, Inc.</b> 601 Indiana Avenue Farrell, PA 16121	Housing & Life Readiness Program	\$	192,179.58	Annually
<b>Community Health Partnership Of Mercer County</b> P. O. Box 1201 Hermitage, PA 16148	CTC Mobilizer Position	\$	22,541.00	Annually
<b>Keystone Adolescent Center (In-Home Services)</b> 201 Main Street Greenville, PA 16125	Extraordinary Transportation	\$	40.00	Hourly
	Community-Based Family Intervention	\$	85.00	Hourly
	Community Support Program	\$	32.00	Hourly
	Bridge Builders	\$	60.00	Hourly
	Victim/Community Awareness	\$	300.00	Per Group
	STOP/NCTI Program	\$	315.00	Per Group
	Jumpstart Program	\$	418.00	Per Group
	Botvin Lifeskills	\$	315.00	Per Group
	Safe Dates Program	\$	315.00	Per Group
	Aggression Replacement Training	\$	1,145.00	Per Client
	Transportation (Jumpstart, STOP, VCA)	\$	20.00	Per Trip
	SAAF Program	\$	54,681.00	Annually
Summer Program 2021	\$	56,818.00	Annually	
Summer Group 2021	\$	850.00	Per Youth	
<b>Youth Advocate Programs, Inc.</b> 2007 North Third Street Harrisburg, PA 17102	Transitional Living	\$	56.95	Daily
	Advocacy	\$	34.00	Hourly
	Truancy (based on 44 weeks per year)	\$	44.00	Hourly
<b>Family Services of NW PA</b> 5100 Peach Street Erie, PA 16509	Family Preservation	\$	107.20	Hourly
	Brief Services	\$	107.20	Hourly
	Multi-Systemic Therapy	\$	227.04	Hourly
	Family Behavior Therapy	\$	165.99	Hourly
	FGDM Conference	\$	3,000.00	Unit

	FGDM Follow-up	\$	1,000.00	Unit
	FGDM Successful Referral	\$	1,000.00	Unit
	FGDM Unsuccessful Referral	\$	250.00	Unit
	Family Team Meeting	\$	1,250.00	Per Mtg.
	FTM Unsuccessful Referral	\$	400.00	Unit
<b>Mancino's Driving School, Inc.</b> 817 East Lake Road Transfer, PA 16154	Behind the Wheel Driving Instruction	\$	60.00	Per Hour
	PDE Driving Course – Online Course	\$	60.00	Per Student
<b>Parkside Psychological Assoc., LLC</b> 435 Chestnut Street Meadville, PA 16335	CART/Trauma Individual/Family Sessions	\$	105.00	Per Hour
	CART/Trauma Group	\$	40.00	Per Hour
	Risk Eval/Psychosexual Evaluation	\$	1,200.00	Per Eval.
	Sexual Offender Polygraph	\$	275.00	Per Poly.
	ABEL Assessment	\$	275.00	Per ABEL
	Trauma Training	\$	250.00	Per Hour
	Foster Parent Prepping (Co-Facilitation)	\$	100.00	Per Hour
	Trauma Informed Care Consult.	\$	150.00	Per Hour
	Trauma Debriefing for Mercer CYS staff	\$	100.00	Per Hour
	Orientation Video Development	\$	150.00	Per Hour
	Foster Parent Co-Facilitator	\$	25.00	Per Hour
	Youth Time for Orientation Videos	\$	20.00	Per Hour
	SPARCS	\$	20,460.00	Annually
	SMART	\$	6,950.00	Annually
Seeking Safety	\$	6,100.00	Annually	
<b>Merakey Pennsylvania</b> 4251 Crums Mill Road Harrisburg, PA 17112	Foster Care Plus BB/BC	\$	94.75	Daily
	Enhanced Foster Care	\$	123.80	Daily
	Foster Care – Infant	\$	88.61	Daily
	Foster Care Mother w/Infant TF/TG	\$	135.80	Daily
	Foster Care w/two Infants	\$	170.86	Daily
	Therapeutic Foster Care Mother w/Infant	\$	79.64	Daily
	Respite Foster Care CC/CA	\$	99.67	Daily
	Emergency Respite HH	\$	116.67	Daily
	Emergency Respite HI	\$	120.96	Daily
	TFC Full Fee	\$	161.15	Daily
	Therapeutic FC (TFC) Room & Board	\$	29.29	Daily
CRR ITP	\$	12.25	Daily	

<b>Family Pathways, Inc.</b> 100 Brugh Avenue Butler, PA 16001	FC – One Child 0-21 ZZ	\$	74.91	Daily
	FC – Two Children 0-21 AB	\$	99.91	Daily
	Foster Care 0-21 AC	\$	49.89	Daily
	Medical FC 0-21 Level I	\$	43.50	Daily
	Medical FC 0-21 Level II	\$	49.87	Daily
	Medical FC 0-21 Level III	\$	57.66	Daily
	Medical FC 0-21 Level IV	\$	57.66	Daily
<b>Preventative Aftercare, Inc.</b> 233 George Junior Road P.O. Box 1058 Grove City, PA 16127	Preventative Aftercare	\$	148.88	Hourly
<b>Cornell Abraxas Group, Inc.</b> 2840 Liberty Avenue, Suite 300 Pittsburgh, PA 15222	Abraxas I – STEP	\$	191.07	Daily
	Intensive Open Residential Program	\$	322.57	Daily
	Female D & A Treatment	\$	232.17	Daily
	Leadership Development Program	\$	192.04	Daily
	Specialized Treatment Program	\$	327.28	Daily
	Shelter	\$	316.82	Daily
	Abraxas Youth Center – Secure	\$	343.09	Daily
	Detention/Shelter	\$	316.82	Daily
	Abraxas Academy – Secure	\$	348.41	Daily
Abraxas Academy – Detention	\$	357.00	Daily	

RESOLUTION adopted:

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Scott Boyd	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Matthew B. McConnell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

## **HUMAN RESOURCES**

# 2021-295 RESOLUTION 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>BUILDING AND GROUNDS:</b>		
Deanna Aurandt Part-Time Custodian	8/5/2021	TCC02-00-00 (\$13.64/hr.)

<b>NAME/POSITION</b>	<b>EFFECTIVE</b>	<b>LEVEL/STEP/GRADE</b>
<b>DISTRICT ATTORNEY:</b>		<b>** DATE CORRECTION **</b>
Kendra Strobel	8/2/2021	PA09-00-01 (\$55,794/yr.)
Assistant District Attorney		

<b>CHILDREN &amp; YOUTH:</b>		<b>** DATE CORRECTION **</b>
Maci Italia	7/30/2021	YCW 00-01 (\$18.76/hr.)
Temporary Caseworker I		

**SEPARATION FROM EMPLOYMENT**

<b>MIS:</b>	
Harry Romesburg III	7/29/2021
Temporary Part-Time Seasonal Intern	

<b>JAIL:</b>	
Ana Matias	7/28/2021
Corrections Officer	

Colin Altenbaugh	7/21/2021
Part-Time Corrections Officer	

<b>E-911 CENTER:</b>	
Brittney Cunningham	8/13/2021
Part-Time Telecommunicator	

<b>PURCHASING:</b>	
Ronda Fawber	8/6/2021
Part-time Purchasing Clerk	

RESOLUTION adopted:					
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Timothy M. McGonigle	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scott Boyd	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Matthew B. McConnell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**HUMAN RESOURCES**

# 2021-296 RESOLUTION to approve the following HUMAN RESOURCES actions.

**NAME/POSITION**

**EFFECTIVE**

**LEVEL/STEP/GRADE**

**NEW HIRES**

**DOMESTIC RELATIONS:**

Angela Gonzalez 8/9/2021 TCN05-00-01 (\$15.97/hr.)  
Senior Procedure Clerk

Kortney Covert 8/16/2021 TCN05-00-01 (\$15.97/hr.)  
Senior Procedure Clerk

**TRANSFERS**

**DOMESTIC RELATIONS:**

Hannah Richards 8/16/2021 TCN07-01-01 (\$17.32/hr.)  
Intake Officer/Locator  
Transfer from Senior Procedure Clerk

**JUDGE AMRHEIN:**

Betty Lee 8/9/2021 PA05H-00-00 (\$16.97/hr.)  
Temporary Part-Time Administrative Assistant  
Transfer from Tip Staff/Court Crier

**SEPARATION FROM EMPLOYMENT**

**DOMESTIC RELATIONS:**

Kara Stainbrook 8/20/2021  
Intake Officer/Locator

**JUDGE AMRHEIN:**

Carolyn Franklin 7/30/2021  
Temporary Part-Time Administrative Assistant

RESOLUTION adopted:

	<b>Moved</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Abstain</b>
Timothy M. McGonigle	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scott Boyd	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Matthew B. McConnell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**COURTS**

RESOLUTION # <b>2021-297</b>	VENDOR/CONTRACT Vector Security 4259 Boardman Canfield Rd, Suite 5 Canfield, OH 44406	AMOUNT N/A	DATE RANGE Effective 08/05/2021
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Approve addendum to contracts to change billing name. All other terms and conditions remain the same.

CONTRACT #	CONTRACT DATE	LOCATION	OLD NAME	NEW NAME
1619195	10/20/2014	14 N. Race St.	MDJ Brian Arthur	MDJ 35-3-03
1618796	10/16/2014	574 Barkeyville Rd.	MDJ Neal McEwen	MDJ 35-3-02
1617843	10/10/2014	123 West Market St.	MDJ Lorinda Hinch	MDJ 35-3-01
1618794	10/14/2014	425 Idaho St.	MDJ Ronald Antos	MDJ 35-2-02
1617500	10/07/2014	1217 Hall Ave.	MDJ Dennis Songer	MDJ 35-2-01

RESOLUTION adopted:

	Moved	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Yes	No	Abstain
Timothy M. McGonigle	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scott Boyd	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Matthew B. McConnell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**PUBLIC SAFETY**

RESOLUTION # <b>2021-298</b>	VENDOR/CONTRACT Cummins, Inc. 7145 Masury Rd. Hubbard, OH 44425	AMOUNT \$1,218.22	DATE RANGE Effective 08/05/2021
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Approve two-year agreement for preventative maintenance of generator at 9-1-1 center. Service to be provided April 2022 and April 2023 at a cost of \$609.11 for each year. Contract will be combined with McComb tower site generator agreement as of April 2024.

RESOLUTION adopted:

	Moved	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Yes	No	Abstain
Timothy M. McGonigle	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Scott Boyd	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Matthew B. McConnell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	✓	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** None.

**Public Comment:** Mitchell Henderson asked if the Commissioners would change any COVID-19 policies to include a vaccine or mask mandate? Commissioners said that at this time Mercer County is listed as a low-impact area by the Department of Health and they will continue to review and will follow CDC guidelines.

**Questions of the Media:** None.

**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**