## MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

## **September 18, 2025**

Members Present: Commissioner McGonigle, Commissioner Finley, Commissioner Coleman

**Prayer:** Commissioner Coleman

Pledge of Allegiance: Was held.

**Others Present:** Peter Acker, Nicki Biles, Tim Callahan, Thad Hall, Dave Moyer, Stephen Sherman, Angela Sorg, Amber White, Tracy Bornick, Laura Paxton, Becky Humes, Randy Thompson, Jeannie Croyle, Loretta Gelf, MaryAnn Allen, Linda Nych, David Allen, Ralph Oaks, Caleb Stright, Joanie Micsky, Roni Shilling

**General Discussion Items:** Tracy Bornick of Mercer County Behavioral Health announced that September is National Recovery Month and provided information on programs that are available in the County.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None

# 2025-379 RESOLUTION to approve 09/04/2025 Commissioners' Meeting MINUTES:

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

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

## **PROCLAMATION**

**# 2025-380** RESOLUTION to approve a PROCLAMATION to recognize SOPHIE POWELL for being crowned the title of National Junior Miss Agriculture USA for 2025.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

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

#### **CYS**

**# 2025-381** RESOLUTION to enter into AGREEMENTS with the following providers for services listed.

EFFECTIVE 07/01/2025 – 06/30/2026

VENDOR	PROGRAM	RATE	TERM
Adelphoi Village, Inc.	Intensive Supervision – Male	\$476.81	Daily
1119 Village Way	Intensive Supervision – M/F MH Focus	\$476.81	Daily
Latrobe, PA 15650	Sexual Offenses – MH Focus	\$476.81	Daily
	Specialized Setting – M/F MH Focus	\$536.01	Daily
	Complex Case – Male	\$1,193.01	Daily
	Enhanced Supervision	\$533.83	Daily
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	Female Sex Offenders	\$664.98	Daily
	Sexual Offenses-La Sa Quik (EasternRegion)	\$472.65	Daily
	Secure – Sexual Offenses	\$604.67	Daily
	Secure – M/F	\$611.19	Daily
	Specialized – Independent Living	\$370.42	Daily
	Diagnostic Evaluation – M/F	\$3,436.14	Daily
	Psychological Services – M/F	\$197.50	Hourly
	Polygraphs	\$497.48	Per Poly
	Sex Offender Eval. ABEL, JSOAP-II, SAI-J	\$1,534.96	Per Eval.
	Foster Care – Intensive	\$104.15	Daily
	Foster Care – Kinship	\$104.14	Daily
	Foster Care – Pregnant & Parenting	\$110.03	Daily
	Foster Care – Pregnant & Parenting Kinship	\$109.72	Daily
	Foster Care – Teen Focused	\$118.12	Daily
	Foster Care – Teen Focused Kinship	\$118.58	Daily
	Foster Care – Agency Owned	\$219.31	Daily
Helping Hands Ministries, Inc.	Truancy Intervention for Parents	\$131,073.00	Annually
1291 Slippery Rock Road	and Schools (TIPS)		,
Slippery Rock, PA 16057	,		
Family Services of NW PA	Family Preservation (\$36 per quarter hour)	\$144.00	Hourly
(In-Home Services)	Brief Services (\$36 per quarter hour)	\$144.00	Hourly
5100 Peach Street	Multi-Systemic Therapy	\$292.00	Hourly
Erie, PA 16509	Family Behavioral Therapy	\$218.00	Hourly
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	Conference	\$3,000.00	Unit
	Follow-Up	\$1,000.00	Unit
	Successful Referral	\$1,000.00	Unit
	Unsuccessful Referral	\$250.00	Unit
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Family Services of NW PA	Foster Care 0-11	\$97.15	Daily
5100 Peach Street	Foster Care 12+	\$102.15	Daily
Erie, PA 16509	Foster Care – Supportive 0-21	\$112.15	Daily
	Foster Care – Mile Trauma 0-21	\$117.15	Daily
	Foster Care – Medically Dependent 0-21	\$122.15	Daily
	Foster Care – Supportive & Medically Dep	\$164.15	Daily
	Foster Care – Teen Mother & child	\$137.15	Daily
	Kinship – AA 0-11	\$63.44	Daily
	Kinship – BB 12+	\$68.43	Daily
	Kinship – CC Supportive Placement 0-21	\$78.49	Daily
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	Kinship – DD Medically Dependent 0-21	\$88.50	Daily
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Alternative Living Solutions 2108 Tartan Court Latrobe, PA 15650	Transitional Living Supervised Independent Living	\$274.00 \$274.00	Daily Daily
Mancino's Driving School Inc. 293 White Avenue Sharon, PA 16146	Behind the Wheel Driving Instruction Driving Course – Online – per student	\$90.00 \$60.00	Hourly Unit
Peter Von Korff, Ph.D. P.O. Box 231 Bemus Point, NY 14712	Cognitive Assessment Bonding Assessment Mental Health Assessment	\$125.00 \$125.00 \$125.00	Hourly Hourly Hourly
Annette L. Dohanics Attorney at Law 107 Castle Brook Drive Cranberry Township, PA 16066	Child Representation Parent Representation Educational Decisionmaker	\$75.00	Hourly
Autumn L. Johnson Attorney at Law 120 South Diamond Street Mercer, PA 16137	Child Representation Parent Representation Educational Decisionmaker	\$75.00	Hourly
David R. Gloss Attorney at Law 6 Plum Street Greenville, PA 16125	Child Representation Parent Representation Educational Decisionmaker	\$75.00	Hourly
Evans, Garvey, Lackey, & Ochs, Attorneys at Law 19 Jefferson Avenue P.O. Box 949 Sharon, PA 16146	Child Representation Parent Representation Educational Decisionmaker	\$75.00	Hourly
Fruit, Dill, Goodwin & Scholl Attorneys at Law 32 Shenango Avenue P.O. Box 673 Sharon, PA 16146	Child Representation Parent Representation Educational Decisionmaker	\$75.00	Hourly
John D. Alfredo Attorney at Law P.O. Box 246 Sharpsville, PA 16150	Child Representation Parent Representation Educational Decisionmaker	\$75.00	Hourly

Margaret T. Lucas Attorney at Law 245 West Venango Street Mercer, PA 16137	Child Representation Parent Representation Educational Decisionmaker	\$75.00	Hourly
Law Offices of Melissa Merchant-Calvert Attorney at Law 138 West Market Street Mercer, PA 16137	Child Representation Parent Representation Educational Decisionmaker	\$75.00	Hourly
Law Office of Michael T. Muha Attorney at Law 19 Jefferson Avenue Sharon, PA 16146	Child Representation Parent Representation Educational Decisionmaker	\$75.00	Hourly
Ted Isoldi Attorney at Law 106 North Pitt Street P.O. Box 2 Mercer, PA 16137	Child Representation Parent Representation Educational Decisionmaker	\$75.00	Hourly
Victor S. Heutsche Attorney at Law 734 Stambaugh Avenue Sharon, PA 16146	Child Representation Parent Representation Educational Decisionmaker	\$75.00	Hourly
Whalen Law Offices Attorney at Law 118 North Pitt Street Mercer, PA 16137	Child Representation Parent Representation Educational Decisionmaker	\$75.00	Hourly
Children's Aid Society in Clearfield County 1008 South Second Street Clearfield, PA 16830	FC 0-9 yr old Standard Rate FC 10-21 yr old Older Child FC 0-21 yr old Special Needs FC 10-21 yr old Juvenile Delinquent FC – Mother & non-dependent child	\$96.49 \$98.50 \$100.50 \$103.91 \$107.96	Daily Daily Daily Daily Daily
Mercer County Behavioral Health Commission, Inc. 8406 Sharon-Mercer Road Mercer, PA 16137	Child Advocacy Center (CAC) Strengthening Families Program	\$54,411.00 \$83,070.00	Annually Annually

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Shippenville Project Point Of Light, Inc. 20231 Paint Boulevard Shippenville, PA 16254	Psychological/Sexual Eval – Offender Psychological/Social Evaluation Individual Counseling/Psychotherapy 30 min Individual Counseling/Psychotherapy 45 min Individual Counseling/Psychotherapy 60 min Family Counseling Group Therapy (60 min) Group Therapy (90 min) Group Therapy (120 min) Polygraph Internet Monitoring Service – Initial Setup IPPC Monthly Monitoring Fee Court Services	\$700.00 \$500.00 \$65.00 \$110.00 \$130.00 \$65.00 \$100.00 \$150.00 \$110.00 \$25.00 \$200.00	Per Eval. Per Somin Per 45 min Hourly Hourly Hourly Per 90 min 120 min Per Poly 1 X Fee Per Month Hourly
Appalachian Youth Services, Inc. P.O. Box 878 150 Sanborn Lane Ebensburg, PA 15931  Dennis P. Becotte, Ph.D.	Kathys House – KH #328870 Sutton House – SH #340230  All Forensic Evaluation Work	\$247.53 \$296.47 \$250.00	Daily Daily Hourly
1122 Muriel Street Pittsburgh, PA 15203	Expert Court Testimony	\$250.00	Hourly
City Mission – Living Stones, Inc. 155 North Gallatin Avenue Uniontown, PA 15401	Promise Place	\$309.00	Daily

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

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

# **HUMAN RESOURCES**

# 2025-382 RESOLUTION to approve the following HUMAN RESOURCES actions:

NAME/POSITION EFFECTIVE LEVEL/STEP/GRADE

**NEW HIRES** 

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY** 

Carmen Piccirillo 09/15/2025 PA06-01-01 (\$24.51/hr.)

County/DRS Detective

JAIL

Jeremy Darby 09/17/2025 JCO-00-01 (\$19.25/hr.)

**Corrections Officer** 

**VETERANS' AFFAIRS** 

Autumn Bees 09/29/2025 TCC04-00-00 (\$15.83/hr.)

PT Administrative Assistant

E911

Megan Hetrick 09/22/2025 TCE-00-01 (\$20.24/hr.)

PT Telecommunicator

Randi Cusick 09/22/2025 TCE-00-01 (\$20.24/hr.)

PT Telecommunicator

**TRANSFERS** 

CYS

Debra Mortimer 09/22/2025 YCW-08-01 (\$27.95/hr.)

Caseworker II Transfer from CW Supervisor

Nicole Lenhardt 09/22/2025 YCW-01-01 (\$22.29/hr.)

Temp FT IL Caseworker II Transfer from Caseworker II

**DISTRICT ATTORNEY** 

Aliyah Hunt 09/18/2025 PA03H-00-01 (\$17.51/hr.)

Temp PT Administrative Assistant Transfer from Commissioner's Office

E911

Lauren Tabachka 09/21/2025 TCE-05-01 (\$22.39/hr.)

PT Telecommunicator Transferring from FT

**CLERK OF COURTS** 

Terri Linn Yesko 09/15/2025 TCN08-02-01 (\$21.20/hr.)

Sr. Procedure Clerk Error corrected from 9/4

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

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

**HUMAN RESOURCES** 

# 2025-383 RESOLUTION to approve the following HUMAN RESOURCES actions for positions

reporting to the Courts:

NAME/POSITION EFFECTIVE LEVEL/STEP/GRADE

**NEW HIRES** 

**DISTRICT JUSTICE MARTWINSKI** 

Michelle Joseph 09/29/2025 TCN06-00-01 (\$18.87/hr.)

Sr. Procedure Clerk

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

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

# **COMMISSIONERS**

RESOLUTION VENDOR/CONTRACT AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# **2025-384** Resolutions Recovery \$39,118.50 Effective 09/18/2025

Center, LLC

1980 Green Street Farrell, PA 16121

Resolution to approve an agreement to issue funds to the Resolutions Recovery Center for support in the purchase of a van to be used for the transportation of clients to recovery meetings, treatment appointments, court hearings, and other related support services, per the Opioid Settlement Fund distribution to the County.

COMMENT: Tracy Bornick, Member of the Opioid Committee, advised the Recovery Center requested funding to replace the Center's current vehicle that is older and has high mileage. The vehicle is helpful with providing clients with services through the Recovery Center.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

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

**COMMISSIONERS** 

RESOLUTION VENDOR/CONTRACT AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# **2025-385** N/A N/A Effective 09/18/2025

Resolution to authorize the County Solicitor to file a Joint Petition with the Court of Common Pleas, seeking approval of the agreement between the County and Liberty Township to transfer ownership of Bridge 3209 to the Township. The agreement requires Liberty Township to assume all future maintenance responsibilities for the bridge, with the County to pay the Township \$10,350.00.

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

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

COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION VENDOR/CONTRACT AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# **2025-386** N/A N/A Effective 09/18/2025

Pursuant to Section 147(F) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986; Resolution to approve a plan of financing by the Butler County General Authority for the undertaking of a project for the benefit of Valley Special Needs Programs, Inc. (D/B/A Valley Community Services). The project consists of refinancing various mortgage loans to finance the costs associated with residential group home facilities and office facilities located in several Pennsylvania counties, including Mercer County. There is no cost to the County.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

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

**COMMISSIONERS** 

RESOLUTION VENDOR/CONTRACT AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# **2025-387** National Opioid TBD Effective 09/18/2025

**Settlement Online** 

Resolution to authorize the Chief Clerk and the Controller to sign-up for the Purdue/Sackler Opioid Settlement Funds for Mercer County. These funds will be used only for Opioid Remediation. Mercer County's distribution amount will be determined at a later date.

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

# **2025-388** Huzzy's Refrigeration \$6,625.00 Effective 09/18/2025

1805 South Center St. Ext. Grove City, PA 16127

Resolution to approve payment for emergency repairs on a walk-in cooler at the Mercer County Jail. Repairs were immediately needed to ensure no loss of refrigerated food inside the cooler. Cost includes all parts, labor, and materials needed for installation of a new part, and will be paid from the Commissary Fund.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

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

LAWRENCE-MERCER COUNTY RECYCLING/SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION VENDOR/CONTRACT AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# **2025-389** Bucks Fabricating \$8,130.00 Effective 09/18/2025

3547 Perry Highway Hadley, PA 16130

Resolution to approve the purchase of one (1) steel recycling container for glass recycling collection in Mercer County. Cost is 100% reimbursable from the PA DEP 902 Glass Recycling Program grant funds.

COMMENT: Commissioner Coleman advised this purchase is the next step for the program to have glass recycling in the County.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

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

**DISPOSITION OF ASSETS** 

RESOLUTION VENDOR/CONTRACT AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# **2025-390** N/A \$1.50 Effective 09/18/2025

Resolution to accept a bid for one (1) weekender/backpack tote with wheels. Item sold in "as is", "where is" condition with no implied warranties or guaranties. County reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

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

**DISPOSITION OF ASSETS** 

RESOLUTION VENDOR/CONTRACT AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# **2025-391** N/A N/A Effective 09/18/2025

Resolution to approve the disposal of the electronic equipment listed below. No bids were received for the items.

• 8 – Dell OptiPlex 7020 towers with Chrome OS Flex installed.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

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

**GRANTS** 

RESOLUTION GRANTOR AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# **2025-392** Commonwealth of PA \$740,876.00 07/01/2025-06/30/2026

Department of Human Services

Bureau of Managed Care

Operations (MATP)

Box 2675

Harrisburg, PA 17105

Resolution to accept an award for Medical Assistance Transportation Program (MATP) funding. 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.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

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

**GRANTS** 

RESOLUTION GRANTOR AMOUNT DATE RANGE

# **2025-393** Mercer County Area \$740,876.00 Effective 07/01/2025

Agency on Aging 133 N. Pitt Street Mercer, PA 16137

Resolution to engage the grantor agency as a sub-recipient under our existing Memorandum of Understanding for the administration of Medical Assistance Transportation Program (MATP) Grant Agreement, awarded September 9, 2025 for FY 2025-2026. 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.

COMMENT: Commissioner McGonigle thanked the Area Agency on Aging for undertaking this large project as it is needed in the County.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley

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

**Old Business:** None

New Business: None

## **Commissioner's Reports:**

 Commissioner Coleman congratulated Dr. Erin Houston of the Shenango Valley Urban League for being appointed to the Governor's Advisory Commission on African American Affairs. We are proud to have someone from Mercer County sitting on this committee. Commissioner Coleman informed everyone the next Comprehensive Plan public meeting is this afternoon in Grove City and another meeting this evening at Lakeview High School.

# **Recess to Salary Board**

**Public Comment:** Michael Deverich from the New Wilmington area commented on solar farms and expressed the concerning factors of having solar farms for the residents in Mercer County.

Questions of the Media: None

Motion to Adjourn	
Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Finley
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Attest:	
Chief Clerk	Mercer County Board of Commissioners