MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

April 4, 2024

Members Present: Ann Coleman, William Finley Jr., Timothy McGonigle

Prayer: Pastor Jim Moose, Unity Presbyterian Church, Mercer (West Middlesex)

Pledge of Allegiance: Was held.

Others Present: Nicki Biles, Jennifer Hamilton, Frank Jannetti, Bill McConnell, Christian McElhiney, Tammy McLaughlin, Bernard Grenier, Stephen Sherman, Amber White, Jay Russell, Dave Moyer, Jim Moose, Ralph Oaks, Maggie Oaks, Melissa Klaric, Holly Patterson, Roni Shilling

General Discussion Items: None

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None

2024-129 RESOLUTION to approve 03/21/2024 Commissioners' Meeting MINUTES:

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Finley	
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

PROCLAMATIONS

2024-130 RESOLUTION to approve a PROCLAMATION to recognize John Rumelfanger for receiving an Eagle Scout Award, the highest honor conferred in Scouting.

John Rumelfanger joined the Scouts in 2019 with Troop 7 and earned 35 badges. For his Eagle Scout Project, John Rumelfanger restored the Jefferson Township Nature Trail by rebuilding the old trail, adding a new trail, conducting bridge repairs, and adding new trail signs. The trail has a short loop and a long loop totaling one mile.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Fi	nley
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

PROCLAMATIONS

2024-131 RESOLUTION to approve a PROCLAMATION to recognize the Greenville Symphony Orchestra on its 95 seasons of musical performances.

The Greenville Symphony was formed in the early 1900's as an informal musical group, expanding through the 1920's, 30's, and the next eight decades to the Greenville Symphony Orchestra we now recognize. In October 2023, the Greenville Symphony Orchestra opened its 95th season under Conductor Mr. Michael Gelfand, who has been with the Orchestra since 2001.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Fi	nley
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

EXPENDITURES

2024-132 RESOLUTION to approve DISBURSEMENTS in the following amount of \$14,387,001.01 for the period of 01/27/2024 – 03/01/2024. Details as listed:

\$14,342,907.21	County Operations
\$1,242.49	Election Integrity Grant
\$9,774.61	Witness Fees
\$3,577.20	CDBG Projects
\$29,499.50	Radio Project

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Fi	nley
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVALS

2024-133 RESOLUTION to approve ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIONS executed by the Chair on behalf of the Board of Commissioners for the period of 03/01/2024 – 03/31/2024.

- Bridge Easement Wilmington Township, Bridge #2904, Michael Hadenburg/Melitta Hardenburg
- Bridge Easement Wilmington Township, Bridge #2904, James Hammer/Patricia Hammer
- Bridge Easement Fairview Township, Bridge #1507, Gayle Knoll
- US HUD Request for Release of Funds and Certification-Lawrence County Regional HOME Program
- DCED Contract No. C000088340, Nicole Cadman
- Lobbying Certification Form-Contract No. C000088340
- Categorical Exclusions-Contract No. C000088340
- Federal Funding Accountability and Transparency Act Sub-Recipient Data Sheet (FFATA)-Contract No. C000088340
- Lobbying Certification Form-Contract No. C000088340
- Roni Shilling permission to sign all documents for 2024 Ford Interceptor

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Finley	
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

<u>CYS</u> # 2024-134 RESOLUTION to enter into AGREEMENT(s) with the following provider for services listed.

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

VENDOR Central Counties Youth Center 148 Paradise Road Bellefonte, PA 16823	PROGRAM Juvenile Detention	RATE \$395.00	TERM Per Day
Moved: Mr. McGonigle Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: N Yes-Mr. Finley	r. Finley Yes-Dr. Co	oleman
HUMAN RESOURCES # 2024-135 RESOLUTION to a	approve the following HUMA	AN RESOURCES	actions:
NAME/POSITION <u>NEW HIRES</u> JAIL	EFFECTIVE	LEVEL/STEP/	GRADE
Kenneth Alsop Corrections Officer	3/25/2024	JCO 00-01 (\$	18.78/hr.)
Theodore Hill Corrections Officer	4/3/2024	JCO 00-01 (\$	18.78/hr.)
E-911 CENTER Tricia Williard Telecommunicator	4/1/2024	TCE 00-02 (\$	18.77/hr.)
Mackenzie McCool Part-Time Telecommunicato	4/2/2024 r	TCE 00-01 (\$	16.89/hr.)
<u>TRANSFERS</u> IPP Deborah Sherman Administrative Assistant	4/8/2024		n Senior Procedure
SEPARATION FROM EMPLO E-911 CENTER Michael Kilcoyne Part-Time Telecommunicato	3/14/2024	Clerk (Tax Of	nce)

CLERK OF COURTS Nichole Hallas Assistant Cost Collections Coordinat	3/25/2024 or	
JAIL Amy Miley Part-Time Corrections Officer	3/20/2024	
Elke Wiand Corrections Officer	3/20/2024	
CHILDREN & YOUTH Marija Manojlovic Caseworker II	4/11/2024	
DISTRICT ATTORNEY Jeanette McGranahan Specialist	5/3/2024	
SOIL CONSERVATION Shawn Hedglin Nutrient Management Specialist	4/12/2024	
Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr	. Finlev
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle		Yes-Dr. Coleman
HUMAN RESOURCES # 2024-136 RESOLUTION to approve Departments reporting to the Court	-	I RESOURCES actions for
NAME/POSITION	EFFECTIVE	LEVEL/STEP/GRADE
<u>NEW HIRE</u> JUDGE WALLACE		
Joyce Jackal	4/8/2024	TIPCC-20-00 (\$81.80/day)
Tip Staff/Court Crier	17072021	
SEPARATION FROM EMPLOYMENT		
JUDGE WALLACE	3/25/2024	
	3/25/2024	
JUDGE WALLACE Charles Button Tip Staff/Court Crier		Finley
JUDGE WALLACE Charles Button	3/25/2024 Seconded: Mr Yes-Mr. Finley	. Finley Yes-Dr. Coleman

ORDINANCES			
ORDINANCE	TITLE	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2024-137	N/A	N/A	Effective 04/04/2024

Authorize advertising Ordinance 2024-003, An Ordinance of the Board of Commissioners of the County of Mercer, Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, establishing for Rules and Regulations governing the use of the Mercer County Flood Control Dam at the Crooked Creek (PA-488) Facility in Sugar Grove Township.

Discussion-Solicitor McConnell advised this is property used by the public for recreational use, and the County has the authority to establish rules on how the property is treated.

Moved: Mr. N	1cGonigle		Seconded: Mr. Finley		
Vote: Yes-Mr	. McGonigle	Yes-M	r. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman	
<u>APPOINTMEN</u>	<u>ITS</u>				
RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT		AMOUNT	DATE RANGE	
	N/A		N/A	Effective 05/01/2024	
# 2024-138 Co as specified:	onfirm the following re	e-appoir	ntment to the MH,	/ID ADVISORY BOARD for the tern	n
	Elo Prano, Therapist		05/01/2024 06	5/01/2027	
Moved: Mr. N	1cGonigle		Seconded: Mr. Fi	inlev	
Vote: Yes-Mr	0	Yes-M		Yes-Dr. Coleman	
COMMISSION	IERS				
	VENDOR/CONTRACT		AMOUNT	DATE RANGE	
# 2024-139	Rae of Hope		\$50 <i>,</i> 430.84	Effective 04/04/2024	
	212 Lincoln Avenue				
	Farrell, PA 16121				

Resolution to approve an agreement to issue funds for Rae of Hope Recovery House. Funding will assist the coordinators of the licensed house with general budgetary items and staffing dollars per the Opioid Settlement Fund distribution to the County.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Fi	nley
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTIONVENDORAMOUNTDATE RANGE# 2024-140Delta Development GroupMonthly FeeEffective 04/01/2024225 Grandview AvenueSuite 301Camp Hill, PA 17011

Resolution to approve an agreement to develop and implement funding strategies with communication with local, state, and federal officials to advance approved projects. Funding sources may include competitive grants, low and/or no-interest loans, loan guarantees, tax credits, and state and/or federal appropriations.

Discussion: Commissioner Coleman advises this is a firm that can locate and write grants for the County and can also research State and Federal Funding for the County.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Fi	nley
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTIONVENDORAMOUNTDATE RANGE# 2024-141West Central Job Partnership N/AEffective 04/04/2024217 West State St., 3rd Floor
Sharon, PA 16146Sharon, PA 16146

Resolution to approve an agreement to provide employment opportunities to interns though West Central Job Partnership. Rate is \$10.00 per hour, payable directly by West Central Job Partnership. Internships are designed to enhance the employment of participants by providing mentoring and on-site exposure to work situations in the public or private sector.

Discussion: Assistant Director Bernard Grenier of Veteran Affairs reports County Departments can request an Intern for assisting in their office for 28-40 hours a week or up to 500 hours.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Finley	
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

COMMISSIONERS

RESOLUTION VENDOR # 2024-142 Riverchapel Financial 10 Manorview Drive Greenville, PA 16125 AMOUNT \$7,350.00 DATE RANGE Effective 04/04/2024

Resolution to approve agreement with Riverchapel Financial to identify services assisting with financial review and a 10 year Historical Comparative Report.

Discussion: Commissioner Coleman advises the Historical Report will be used to support financial plans for the County after the reassessment changes are completed.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Finley	
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

<u>BRIDGE</u>

RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2024-143	TranSystems and	\$46,692.51	Effective 04/04/2024
	Mercer County/L00395		

Amend Resolution 2023-539, 2023-386, and 2020-279 related to a Consultant Agreement between Mercer County and TranSystems for Mercer County Bridges 2707 and 2717 on East Gilmore Road in Wolf Creek Township. The scope provides final design phase tasks. This project is 100% federally funded and the total engineering agreement amount is now \$622,066.94.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Finley	
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

BRIDGE

RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2024-144	N/A	N/A	Effective 04/04/2024

Resolution for condemnation of a certain parcel of property for right-of-way purposes with authorization for the Chair to file documents as may be required under PA Eminent Domain Code and as deemed necessary for the reconstruction of a public bridge on Stock Farm Road in Lake Township.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle Seconded: Mr. Finley		r. Finley
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman
BRIDGE RESOLUTION VENDOR/CONT # 2024-145 N/A	FRACT AMOUNT N/A	DATE RANGE Effective 04/04/2024

Resolution for condemnation of a certain parcel of property for right-of-way purposes with authorization for the Chair to file documents as may be required under PA Eminent Domain Code and as deemed necessary for the reconstruction of a public bridge on Bend Road in Wilmington Township.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Fi	nley
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

<u>COURTS</u>

RESOLUTION VENDOR # 2024-146 SBM Electronics Inc. 628 California Avenue Pittsburgh, PA 15202 AMOUNT \$1,550.00 DATE RANGE 03/31/2024 – 03/30/2025

Resolution to approve annual recording system maintenance and support agreement for Courtrooms #2 and #4. Cost remains the same as previous year. Cost to be paid from Mercer County DUI School Fund 203.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Finley	
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENTS

RESOLUTION VENDOR/CONTRACT # 2024-147 Attorneys/Firms as listed AMOUNT \$500.00 Per case DATE RANGE 01/01/2024-12/31/2024 unless terminated sooner by the courts

Resolution to approve professional legal services agreement to provide legal representation to adult criminal defendants who cannot be represented by the Public Defender's Office as follows:

Randall T. Hetrick Melissa Calvert Michael Muha Victor Heutsche Christopher Lacich Bradley Olson Melanie Womer

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

GRANTS

RESOLUTION GRANTOR: AMOUNT # 2024-148 Pennsylvania Department of \$40,000.00 Environmental Protection Estimated Rachel Carson Building 400 Market Street Harrisburg, PA 17101 DATE RANGE 01/01/2023 – 12/31/2023

Resolution to approve application for an Act 101, Section 903 Grant for a fifty percent (50%) reimbursement of the DEP approved County Recycling Coordinator salary and eligible expenses during the 2023 calendar year.

Discussion: Fiscal Director Nicki Biles advises this grant is completed each year for the previous year's funding.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr.	Finley
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

<u>GRANTS</u>

RESOLUTION	GRANTOR:	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2024-149	Pennsylvania Department of	\$135,000.00	Effective 01/26/2024
	Community and Economic		
	Development (DCED)		
	400 North Street, 4 th Floor		
	Harrisburg, PA 17120-0225		

Resolution to accept an award for an Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), contract # C000088340, contracted by the County for sub-recipient AWARE, Inc. Funds will be used for essential services, operations 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. AWARE, Inc. will include in the grant request Homeless Prevention funds including rental arrears, rental assistance, and utility assistance. All match dollars are provided by AWARE, Inc. No County match required.

Discussion: Fiscal Director Nicki Biles advises this grant has been awarded for the past seven/eight years and assists with the needs of AWARE, Inc. and that AWARE Inc. uses all the funds awarded.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Fi	nley
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

GRANTS

RESOLUTION GRANTOR: AMOUNT # 2024-150 AWARE, Inc. N/A 109 South Sharpsville Avenue Suite D Sharon, PA 16146 DATE RANGE Effective 01/26/2024

Resolution to enter into an Agreement with AWARE as subrecipient for an Emergency Solutions Grant #C000088340. The contract with the State is in the amount of \$135,000.00 and is for the Rapid Rehousing Program, homelessness prevention services, Emergency Shelter services, and operations of shelter locations in Mercer County. The grant period is 18 months from the effective date.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle	Seconded: Mr. Fi	nley
Vote: Yes-Mr. McGonigle	Yes-Mr. Finley	Yes-Dr. Coleman

Old Business: None

New Business: Commissioner Coleman advises April is National County Government Month, Commissioner McGonigle serves on a committee with the National Association of Counties (NACo). This month is to draw attention to the officials of the local, county, state governments and that we are proud of what we are doing in Mercer County.

Commissioner McGonigle provided information about the 4H Benefit Auction being held on May 4, 2024, at the 4H Grounds on Route 19. He advised Mercer County was the first County in Pennsylvania to have a 4H Club; it was established in 1912. The 4H raises money for all the juvenile members of the club and to contact the Commissioner's Office for information. Commissioner Coleman included that none of the kids in the club are required to pay to be in any 4H Event. Those fees are paid from their fundraising events.

EMA Director, Frank Jannetti, talked about the safety concerns while viewing the eclipse on Monday, April 8th, and advising the local and State Police are working together to handle the anticipated traffic concerns on the interstates in Mercer County.

Public Comment: None

Questions of the Media: None

Motion to Adjourn Moved: Mr. McGonigle

Seconded: Mr. Finley

Attest:

Chief Clerk

Mercer County Board of Commissioners