

MEETING OF THE MERCER COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

December 6, 2018

Attendance	Present	Absent	By Phone
Timothy M. McGonigle	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" 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, Mark Benedetto, Ruth Bice, Nicki Biles, Ray Bogaty, Katie Gabriel, Jeff Greenburg, Jennifer Hamilton, Miles Karson, Rise Dunham, John Logan, Bill Madden, Ann Morrison, Debra Sicilian, Roni Shilling, Dee Dee Zickar, Amber White, Jerry Zona, Josh Leskovic, Pete Morin, Eric Poole, Molly Moser

General Discussion Items: See Below.

Greenburg reported that a demonstration of voting machine options for the public will be held on December 18th in the Assembly room. Five vendors are scheduled to attend.

Public Comment on Agenda Items: None.

2018-356 RESOLUTION to approve **11/29/2018** Commissioners' Meeting MINUTES.

RESOLUTION adopted:

	Moved	2nd	Yes	No	Abstain
Timothy M. McGonigle	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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EXPENDITURES

2018-357 RESOLUTION to approve DISBURSEMENTS for the period of 10/26/2018–11/30/2018 in the amount of \$ 5,174,815.08.

RESOLUTION adopted:

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EXONERATIONS

2018-358 RESOLUTION to approve the following EXONERATION(s) being granted as listed effective 12/06/2018.

TAX COLLECTOR	TAXING DISTRICT	COUNTY PER CAPITA - EXONS	COUNTY PER CAPITA - TBC	TAX YEAR	CANCELLED
Niki Giardina	Pymatuning Twp	\$ 35.00	\$ 0.00	2018	

RESOLUTION adopted:

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Matthew B. McConnell	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

CYS

2018-359 RESOLUTION to enter into AGREEMENTS(s) with the following providers for services being provided.

EFFECTIVE July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019

VENDOR	PROGRAM	RATE	TERM
Crossroads Group Homes and Services, Inc. 1243 Roemer Blvd. Farrell, PA 16121	Crossroads Group Home for Girls	\$ 150.00	Daily
	Crossroads Group Home for Boys	\$ 125.00	Daily

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LAWRENCE MERCER COUNTIES RECYCLING/SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT

RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-360	Tri-County Industries, Inc. 159 TCI Park Drive Grove City, PA 16127	\$151,900.00	12/6/2018–12/31/2021

Approve contract for collection processing and marketing of recyclables from (11) eleven countywide containers in Mercer County. Containers will be emptied twice a week during three year period.

DISCUSSION: Due to an excessive increase of proposed costs per the RFP process, and due to the lack of a national and international market for recyclables, the new contract cycle will limit items to paper and cardboard only. Plastics and glass will no longer be accepted for recycling. Until the bins are removed in January, glass and plastics may be re-cycled. A press release will be issued later today to inform and educate the community about the changes.

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FISCAL

RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-361	N/A	N/A	Effective 12/06/2018

Adopt resolution authorizing the transfer of any unencumbered balance, or any portion thereof within the 2018 County Budget(s), to accounts that are overdrawn, pursuant to Section 1784 of the County Code.

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RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-362	N/A	N/A	Effective 12/06/2018

Adopt resolution fixing the real estate tax rate for the year 2019, appropriating specific sums estimated to be required for the specific purpose of the County Government during the fiscal year, and levying a per capita tax on all persons subject to taxation for County purposes for the fiscal year 2019 at the rate of five dollars (\$5.00) to be deposited in the General Fund of Mercer County. The real estate tax rate for general County purposes is fixed at Twenty-Two and One-Quarter (22.25) mills on each dollar of assessed valuation or the sum of \$2.225 on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation of real property subject to taxation by the County, to be deposited in the General Fund of Mercer County, and at One and Forty-Hundredths (1.40) mills on each dollar of assessed valuation or the sum of \$0.140 on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation, to be deposited into the Capital Bond Sinking Fund of Mercer County.

DISCUSSION: The millage tax rate remains the same as 2018 with no increase.

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RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-363	N/A	N/A	Effective 12/06/2018

Adopt the 2019 Mercer County Budget, as attached.

DISCUSSION: The Commissioners thanked Fiscal for their excellent work in the development of a budget that is sensitive to the pressures including future bridge repair and replacement as well as mandated voting system replacement.

Logan thanked all the elected officials and the department heads for their cost containment measures and participation in the budget process. He thanked his staff and recognized Nicki Biles for her diligence.

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RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-364	N/A	N/A	Effective 12/06/2018

Adopt resolution certifying that the County is in compliance with Act 106 of 2011 as to “Bonding Requirements for Elected Officials and identified employees” for 2018—2019 as evidenced by insurance provided through the Pennsylvania Counties Risk Pool (PCoRP).

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CONTROLLER

RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-365	AvidXchange, Inc. 75 Remittance Drive Suite 6186 Chicago, IL 60675-6186	\$960.00	12/21/2018–12/20/2019

Approve renewal of maintenance contract for EPAY16 bundle used to write checks.

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MIS

RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-366	AEC Group 3000 Montour Church Road Oakdale, PA 15071	\$460,000.00	Effective 12/06/2018

Approve contract to purchase Hyper Converged Infrastructure (HCI)/VDI Solution/Endpoint Management at a cost of \$340,000.00 and required Microsoft licensing (Server Licenses, VDA Licenses) at a cost of \$120,000.00. Price includes 5 year support/maintenance on HCI and VDI Solution and 3 year support on Endpoint Management/VDA Licenses. This solution drastically improves the availability, reliability, management, security and scalability of the County IT Infrastructure.

DISCUSSION: Improvements with the new structure will include upgrades and troubleshooting will be done centrally by MIS. Replacement terminals, as needed, will be 1/3rd the cost since robust hardware is not required. Disaster Recovery is moving to the “cloud” and will eliminate the risk of off-site storage concerns.

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DOMESTIC RELATIONS

RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-367	Attorneys/Firms as listed:	As listed:	12/01/2018–09/30/2020

Approve Service Agreement to maintain and improve the effectiveness of the Title IV-D Child Support Enforcement Program by the hiring of private attorneys to provide legal services to assist in the establishment and enforcement of support orders. Rate is \$55.00 per hour, not to exceed \$10,000.00 per annum.

Melissa M. Merchant-Calvert	Whalen Law Offices	118 N. Pitt St, Mercer 16137
J. Jarrett K. Whalen	Whalen Law Offices	118 N. Pitt St, Mercer 16137
Kenneth R. Harris, Jr.	Kenneth Harris Law	101 E. Diamond St., Suite 204, Butler 16001

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TAX CLAIM

RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-368	Attorneys/Firms as listed:	As listed:	Effective 01/01/2019

Approve professional legal Service Agreement to perform judicial sales. Each attorney/firm will be paid \$500.00 per property successfully processed through Judicial Sale as defined in the Act. This is an amended amount increased as of 2019 from \$450.00 to \$500.00 per sale. Agreement may be terminated with a sixty day notice by either party.

William J. Madden, PC
James Nevant, II
William J. Moder, III
Kenneth K. McCann
Victor S. Heutsche
Edwin J. Thorn

DISCUSSION: The Commissioners recognized the benefits of tax sales. \$1.4MM in properties have been placed back on the tax rolls and have helped to eliminate blight.

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RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-369	N/A	See below	Effective 01/01/2019

Each person or entity permitted to bid on any of the properties at auction shall register with the Tax Claim Bureau immediately prior to the start of an auction supplying all necessary information required and depositing with the Tax Claim Bureau an amount either in cash or certified or cashiers bank check. Said funds to be applied to the Bureau’s costs and bid associated with any property for which the bidder offered the highest bid at the auction, or if none, then said funds will be returned to the bidder. The bid amount is amended from \$1,000.00 to \$1,250.00. All transactions in process shall be honored with a bid amount of \$1,000.00. All new transactions shall be subject to the bid amount of \$1,250.00.

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MERCER COUNTY REGIONAL PLANNING

RESOLUTION	VENDOR/CONTRACT	AMOUNT	DATE RANGE
# 2018-370	N/A	\$79.30	Effective 12/06/2018

Revise the FY 2015 Mercer County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program by deleting \$79.30 from the Housing Rehabilitation Line Item.

RESOLUTION adopted:

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GRANTS

RESOLUTION # 2018-371	GRANTOR Help America Vote Act Election Security Grant	AMOUNT \$118,311.82	DATE RANGE Effective 12/6/2018
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Approve application via the Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2018 (P.L. 115-141) to be used for the purchase or lease of new HAVA compliant voting systems that are certified in accordance with the Pennsylvania Election Code.

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RESOLUTION # 2018-372	GRANTOR PCOMP Insurance Program County Commissioners Association of PA	AMOUNT \$20,000.00	DATE RANGE Effective 12/6/2018
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Approve the application for a Safety Improvement Program. The County Safety Committee will use these funds for the County portion of the Mercer Borough Streetscape project, \$8,367.83; repairs to the County owned flood control dam Pine Run (Fairview) Dam, \$10,000.00; and for the repairs to the roof overhang at the Acker Building (8425 Sharon-Mercer Road, Mercer, PA), \$2,281.53. The total of all 3 projects is \$20,649.36, the balance of the cost is to be paid by Mercer County.

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Old Business: None.

New Business: None.

Recess to Salary Board

Public Comment: None.

Questions of the Media: None.

Motion to adjourn.

Moved: Mr. McGonigle

Seconded: Mr. McConnell

Attest:

Chief Clerk

Mercer County Board of Commissioners