

NOVEMBER 27, 2018 MINUTES

Formally approved at December 11, 2018 meeting

FULL BOARD PRESENT; Also present: Norma Bird, Treasurer; Sue Kauwell, Prothonotary; Fred Gaffney, Chamber of Commerce; Chris Johns Danville Area School District; Lloyd Bunch, Public; Karen Blackledge, The Danville News.

Mr. Holdren asked those so inclined to rise for a prayer led by Solicitor Robert L. Marks. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison. The meeting was then opened.

Mr. Hartman moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

General Account Disbursements	\$209,278.40
General Account Receipts	\$33,380.61
General Account Checking 1.95%	\$756,310.91
Capital Reserve Fund 2.12%	\$76,122.21
Operating Reserve 2.12%	\$236,579.90
Total Checking	\$1,069,013.02
Act 13 Highway-Bridge 2.12%	\$215,686.13
Act 44 2.17%	\$78,086.73
Act 89 2.12%	\$84,484.51
Children and Youth Checking 2.17%	\$197,937.15
Flood Mitigation 2.17%	\$2,693.01
Hazardous Material Account Checking 2.17%	\$17,401.16
Human & Community Services Checking 2.17%	\$73,388.43
Improvement Fund Checking 2.17%	\$23,444.54
Liquid Fuels Checking 2.17%	\$267,900.47
Offender Supervision Account Checking 2.17%	\$55,524.81
Storm Water Ordinance Escrow	\$31,386.05
Uniform 911 Surcharge 1.99%	\$833,271.21

Mr. Holdren called for public comment. There was none.

Under old business, Mr. Holdren said since announcing the end of recycling drop-offs due to budgetary constraints, the board has fielded many questions from concerned citizens who wish to continue recycling. A contact list of trash haulers who offer recycling services was given to the media. That information will also be posted on the County website.

Mr. Finn said there has been some confusion concerning the separate recycling services offered in Danville Borough and Mahoning Township. Those programs are not affected and will still operate so long as the municipalities choose to do so. The County is eliminating its drop-offs in Anthony, Cooper and Valley townships. Mr. Finn said some townships have shown an interest in starting their own recycling programs and that's where recycling belongs: on the municipal level.

Under new business, Mr. Holdren presented the proposed 2019 General Fund budget of \$8,173,251.72 in expenditures and \$8,208,193.00 in revenues. While projected expenditures are lower than the current spending plan, so, too, are anticipated revenues, Mr. Holdren said. Commissioners try to run the County as a business, but many things, such as continued unfunded mandates from the state and federal level, are not within the Board's control. The budget includes a .251-mill tax increase, the first since 2012, which will bring in an additional \$307,000 in revenue, enough to balance the budget, he said. The millage hike would result in a \$25.00 increase in taxes on a home with an assessed value of \$100,000.00, he noted. Mr. Finn moved to tentatively approve the spending plan as presented. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to set the millage rate at 3.6 mills, reflecting an increase of .251 mills over the current millage rate. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to approve the tentative Liquid Fuels budget of \$84,000.00 in expenditures and \$365,050.00 in revenues. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to grant signatory authority to Commissioner Finn on a PEMA e-signature document for the PEMA Act 147 grant. Mr. Holdren seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to reappoint Robert Davies to a five-year term on the Geisinger Authority, expiring the first Monday of January 2024. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to accept a letter of resignation from Brad Bennage, Correctional Officer, effective close of business November 30. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to approve the hire of Trevor Karchner as a Correctional Officer effective November 26 at an hourly rate of \$13.47. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to approve the hire of Sean Moynan as a Correctional Officer at effective December 3 at an hourly rate of \$13.47. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to accept a letter of resignation effective December 1 from Martha Reedy, Liberty Township Inspector of Elections. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to accept a letter of resignation from Sidney Guisbert, Liberty Township Constable, effective December 1. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

The Board recognized Danville High School Girls Cross Country Team members Elaina Klinger, Emma Mikita, Joy Zhang, Coyla Bartholomew and Zoe Zola on their second-

place finish at states. Other members of the team are Marisa Maffei, Rainey Oldfield, and Clara Coombe. The Board also recognized the efforts of Eli Zakarian from the Danville Boys Cross Country Team who qualified for the state meet and finished in the top 52 runners from the entire state.

Mr. Finn moved to pay the following bills: General Account, \$412,487.49; Children & Youth, \$18,835.25; Liquid Fuels, \$13,047.70; Uniform 911, \$0; Human and Community Service, \$1,293.86; Other Funds, \$12,723.85. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:
Holly A. Brandon, Chief Clerk