

SEPTEMBER 14, 2021 MEETING MINUTES

Formally approved at September 28, 2021 meeting

FULL BOARD PRESENT: Also present: Sue Kauwell, Prothonotary; Kristin McLaughlin, SEDA-COG; David D’Onofrio, Montour Solar One; Lara DeNune, Central PA Food Bank; Lloyd Bunch, Public; Geri Gibbons, Press Enterprise; Joe Sylvester, The Daily Item.

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.

General Account Disbursements	\$364,769.48
General Account Receipts	\$84,801.43
General Account Checking .01%	\$2,059,732.59
Capital Reserve Fund .01%	\$4,296.86
Operating Reserve .01%	\$568,448.50
Total Checking	\$2,632,477.95
Act 13 Highway-Bridge .01%	\$272,452.99
Act 44 .01%	\$117,460.46
Act 89 .01%	\$159,914.02
American Rescue Plan .01%	\$1,770,504.79
Children and Youth Checking .01%	\$493,261.09
Emergency Rental Assistance Program	\$1,377,306.13
Facilities Fund .01%	\$3,365.39
Flood Mitigation .01%	\$2,816.21
Hazardous Material Account Checking .01%	\$16,873.02
Human & Community Services Checking .01%	\$115,133.67
Improvement Fund Checking .01%	\$11,561.16
Liquid Fuels Checking .01%	\$197,546.90
Offender Supervision Account Checking .01%	\$68,905.43
Storm Water Ordinance Escrow	\$37,761.05
Uniform 911 Surcharge .01%	\$758,077.25

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

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

Mr. Holdren introduced Ms. DeNune, Program Coordinator for the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank. Mr. Hartman read a proclamation recognizing the month of September as Hunger Action Month. Ms. DeNune thanked the County for its commitment to combat hunger.

Mr. Holdren then recessed the meeting to convene the final public hearing for the 2021 CDBG Program and introduced Ms. McLaughlin, who said the total allocation was set at \$321,380.00 with \$220,511.00 going to Montour County and \$100,869.00 to Danville Borough. Montour's proposed projects are \$220,511 for the County Food Pantry distribution center for a rollup door to accept skids of food pallets and \$106,511.00 for a handicapped accessible ramp for the Food Pantry. Another \$39,000.00 is allocated for administration. Danville Borough will allocate \$100,869.00 for curb-cut reconstruction with \$17,100.00 set aside for administration.

Ms. McLaughlin called for public comment. Mr. Finn asked Ms. DeNune if the Central PA Food Bank would write a letter of support for the County's proposed projects for the Food Pantry. There being no further public comment, the hearing was adjourned and Mr. Holdren reconvened the public meeting.

Under old business, Mr. Holdren moved to adopt Ordinance 1 of 2021 amending the Zoning Ordinance to allow commercial and residential solar energy systems. Mr. Finn seconded, then thanked the Planning and Zoning committees for their work as well as Mr. Holdren for keeping everyone on task. Mr. Finn said drafting the changes was not an easy undertaking as the County needed to both protect its residents and allow for growth. No one involved in the process likes the ordinance 100 percent, but it makes for a good ordinance because of that, he said. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Under new business, Mr. Holdren moved to approve the CDBG projects and allocations as presented and approve Resolution R-9-14-2021 to submit the County's CDBG application to the Department of Community and Economic Development. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Holdren moved to approve Resolution R-9-15-2021 naming Chief Clerk Holly Brandon as Section 504 Compliance Officer and establishing a grievance procedure for complaints regarding accessibility. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Holdren moved to approve Fair Housing Resolution R-9-16-2021 to ensure equal opportunity housing for all persons in Montour County. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Holdren moved to approve a 2019 CDBG budget modification for Danville Borough, moving \$76,954.62 from the Mill Street beautification project to the curb-cut reconstruction budget. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Holdren moved to approve a 2020 CDBG subrecipient agreement with the Jane E. DeLong Memorial Hall Association for an electrical modernization project. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved, on the recommendation of architect LeFevre Wilk, to approve an HVAC analysis to mitigate Covid concerns at the Administration Center from Smith Miller Associates at a cost of \$12,500.00. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Hartman moved to approve a purchase of service agreement with Catholic Charities Adoption Services and Specialized Foster Care from July 1 through June 30, 2022, at a daily rate of \$94.13. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to approve an inmate boarding agreement with Centre County to board inmates at the Centre County Correctional Facility at \$65.00 per day through December 31, 2023. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Holdren moved to appoint Chris Benjamin to the SEDA-COG and Local Development Corporation boards. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to accept a letter of resignation from Warden William Wilt effective close of business September 26. Mr. Hartman seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Under recognition, Mr. Holdren congratulated Benjamin Stoudt on attaining the status of Eagle Scout. Mr. Holdren noted the Scout been giving back to the community for years by volunteering at the Emergency Operations Center.

Mr. Holdren took note of the 9-11 memorial service, commending Commissioner Finn and all those who planned the event. The service, he said, was a good way to try to recapture our national unity.

Mr. Hartman moved to pay the following bills: General Account, \$208,492.92; Children & Youth, \$50,856.00; Uniform 911, \$0; Human and Community Service, \$5,781.40; Facilities, \$0; Hazard Mitigation Grant Program, \$1,138.01; Liquid Fuels, \$375.42; Other Funds, \$7,114.23. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Holly A. Brandon, Chief Clerk