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**MEETING OF THE CARBON COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
COMMISSIONERS MEETING ROOM,
CARBON COUNTY ADMINISTRATION BUILDING,
JIM THORPE, PENNSYLVANIA**

OCTOBER 24, 2024

MEETING: CALL TO ORDER

MOMENT OF SILENCE

PRAYER

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**THESE PROCEEDINGS ARE BEING RECORDED FOR THE SOLE
PURPOSE OF PREPARING ACCURATE WRITTEN MINUTES.
RECORDINGS ARE OVERWRITTEN FOLLOWING APPROVAL
OF THE MINUTES, ELIMINATING ALL UNOFFICIAL RECORDS OF
THESE PROCEEDINGS.**

APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD OCTOBER 17,
2024.

(Motion)

GUESTS: (CONCERNING COUNTY BUSINESS AS PER COUNTY POLICY #2012-01
REV 01/11/2024)

RESOLUTION;

#24-492 OPERATION GREEN LIGHT FOR VETERANS:

For adoption: A Resolution supporting Operation Green Light for Veterans.

(Motion to adopt Resolution #2024-041)

REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS HELD:

I. DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

CHIEF CLERK/COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR

1. BUDGET TRANSFERS:

(Motion)

2. SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS:

(Motion)

3. EXPENDITURES:

Approval of payroll check numbers 76278 through 76293 and Direct Deposit check numbers 6069648 through 6070079 for the payroll paid through the Payroll Fund Checking Account for all County Funds totaling \$687,773.08 (Payroll dated October 18, 2024).

(Motion to ratify)

Approval of check numbers 246656 through 246748 for expenditures through the General Fund Clearing Account as follows:

General Fund	\$ 120,699.98
County Parking Fund	\$ 2,416.13
Area Agency on Aging Fund	\$ 54,427.44
Children & Youth Fund	\$ 89,358.18

Domestic Relations Fund	\$	812.50
Parks & Recreation Fund	\$	839.89
9-1-1 Fund	\$	13,500.57
Human Service Development Fund	\$	107.73
Homeless Grant Fund	\$	75.50
COVID ARP Fund	\$	25,700.88
Debt Service Fund	\$	773,998.45
Capital Projects Fund	\$	246,134.20
Tax Claim Fund	\$	<u>16,741.07</u>
TOTAL:		\$1,344,812.52

(Motion)

II. **TREASURER'S REPORT:**

(Motion)

III. **PERSONNEL REPORT:** **COUNTY DEPARTMENTS:**

(Motion to approve)

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS/COURTS & ROW OFFICES:

(Motion to acknowledge)

IV. **CORRESPONDENCE:**

An email was received from the Weatherly School District Nurse Rebekah McFadden thanking the Commissioners for their support and the items they received from Carbon-Monroe-Pike Drug and Alcohol Commission to recognize Red Ribbon Week.

Emails were received from individuals regarding a petition to end Fall Foliage Fest in Jim Thorpe.

An email was received from Jack Kreckie expressing public safety should be considered as part of the planning committee for big events such as Fall Foliage Festival in Jim Thorpe.

Communications were received regarding the following Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection permit applications:

Befesa Zinc US Inc., Palmerton, PA
Acceptance letter
Plan approval application No. 13-00001E
APS ID# 11123490, AUTH ID# 1502654
Palmerton Borough, Carbon County

Carbon County Correctional Facility
Corrosion Control Feasibility Study
PWS ID No. 3130049
APS No. 1117976 & AUTH No. 1492562
Nesquehoning Borough, Carbon County

American Cargo Group Trailers, LLC., Elkhart, IN
Acceptance letter
Plan approval application No. 13-00016A
APS ID# 1123469, AUTH ID# 1502613
Banks Township, Carbon County

Rossi Excavating Company, Beaver Meadows, PA
Surface Mining Permit No. 13990201R5
Bond review for 2023
Authorization to mine No 1756-13990201-12
Greenfield Mine Operation
Banks Township, Carbon County

Ampal Inc., Palmerton, PA
Air Quality Program State-Only (synthetic minor)
Operating Permit No. 13-00013

ADULT PROBATION:

#24-493 PAROLE GRANT:

For approval and execution: Submission of a grant application for FY 2024/2025 funding from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency (PCCD) for continuing County Adult Probation and Parole Grant for the improvement of adult probation services through the reimbursement of eligible salaries of professional staff for the term July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025.

Total funding - \$77,723.00

(Motion)

ADVERTISING REQUEST:**#24-494 SALE OF SURPLUS COUNTY REAL ESTATES:**

For approval: Authorize the advertisement for bid the sale of that certain parcel of surplus real estate located at Princeton Avenue, Palmerton, Pennsylvania, comprising approximately 0.09 acres, Carbon County Tax Parcel ID No. 42A-49-J54.04, in “as is” condition, for not less than fair market value of fourteen thousand three hundred dollars (\$14,300.00), all pursuant to Section 2306 of the County Code.

(Motion)

CHILDREN & YOUTH:**#24-495 AGREEMENT:**

For approval and execution: FY 2024-2025 Purchase of Service Agreement was submitted for the following provider:

KIDSPEACE NATIONAL CENTERS, INC., SCHNECKSVILLE, PA

(Motion)

CORRECTIONAL FACILITY:**#24-496 SOFTWARE SUPPORT AGREEMENT/KEYSTONE FIRE AND SECURITY:**

For approval and execution: One-year software support agreement with Keystone Fire and Security of Allentown, Pennsylvania, for four (4) OSSI maintenance and 4 four (4) OSSI Software add on workstation/session license at a total cost of \$2,963.00. Costars #040-E22-130.

(Motion)

V. SOLICITOR'S REPORT:**MAUCH LAKE PARK:****#24-497 ACTIVITIES AGREEMENT:**

For approval and execution: A Special Activities Agreement for use of Mauch Chunk Lake Park was submitted for the following:

Marian Catholic High School Polar Plunge
January 25, 2025 alternate date February 1, 2025

(Motion)

LIL-RUS FARMS:**#24-498 RENEWAL AGREEMENT/MCLP:**

For approval: As recommended by the Parks and Recreation Commission to approve the Renewal of Agricultural Operations Agreement between the County and Lil-Rus Farms. The term of the renewal shall be three (3) years commencing on January 6, 2025 and ending January 7, 2028.

(Motion)

TAX CLAIM:**#24-499 LIEN SEARCHES:**

For approval: A communication was received from the Tax Claim Bureau recommending that the County accept the quote received from Paramount Abstract, Incorporated of Jim Thorpe, Pennsylvania, to perform the required Lien Searches for the 2024 Upset Tax Sale Overbids for distribution purposes (42 searches) at their price of \$80.00/search. (\$5.00 increase per search) Paramount Abstract was the sole quote received.

(Motion)

#24-500 TITLE SEARCHES:

For approval: A communication was received from the Tax Claim Bureau recommending that the County accept the quote received from Paramount Abstract, Incorporated, Jim Thorpe, Pennsylvania, to perform the required title searches for the 2025 Judicial Sale (64 searches) at their price of \$180.00/search. (No increase) Paramount Abstract was the sole quote received.

(Motion)

#24-501 TENT CAMPING/RATE CHANGES:

For approval: Rate adjustments for the Mauch Chunk Lake Park for tent camping as follows:

County residency - \$25.00/night

Non-residency - \$45.00/night

Group - \$2.00 per person per night for County residency;

\$4.00 per person per night for non-residency

Heritage Festival weekend - \$40.00/night for County residency

\$50.00/night for non-residency

Elimination of off-season tent camping and off-season group camping rates

(Motion)

VI. FURTHER BUSINESS:

VII. COMMISSIONERS' REPORTS:

Commissioner Ahner

Commissioner Nothstein

VIII. ADJOURNMENT: