

**AUGUST 13, 2013 MINUTES**  
**Formally approved at September 10, 2013 meeting**

FULL BOARD PRESENT: Also present: Jim Petro, Treasurer; Amanda Boyer, Transit Director; Greg Molter, Human Services Director; Jamie Shrawder, Tim Brickley, Mike Fisher, SEDA-COG; Tim Fitzgerald, Donna Rae, Michael Ferlazzo, Alan Neuner, Eric Temmel, Geisinger Health System Foundation; Dan Knorr, Danville Borough Administrator of Governmental Affairs; Fred Gaffney, ColumbiaMontour Chamber of Commerce; Steve Phillips, BIDA; Aaron Keehan, Public; Karen Blackledge, The Danville News.

Mr. Finn asked those so inclined to rise for a prayer led by Mr. Molter. Mr. Finn introduced Aaron Keehan, a Boy Scout working on his Citizenship Badge, who led the Pledge of Allegiance. The meeting was then opened.

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

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

General Account Disbursements	\$654,726.75
General Account Receipts	\$328,347.92
General Account Checking .10%	\$1,862,013.93
Capital Reserve Fund .25%	\$26,786.07
Operating Reserve .25%	\$40,099.17
General MMA	\$0.00
Total Checking, MMAs	\$1,928,899.17
Act 13 Highway-Bridge	\$39,234.81
Act 44 .10%	\$41,862.35
Act 78 Checking .10%	\$4,293.39
Children and Youth Checking .10%	\$340,466.01
Domestic Relations Checking .10%	\$132,835.50
Domestic Relations Incentive	\$128,320.69
Flood Mitigation .10%	\$1,834.72
Hazardous Material Account Checking .10%	\$14,079.66
Human & Community Services Checking .10%	\$31,496.68
Improvement Fund Checking .10%	\$5,996.40
Liquid Fuels Checking .10%	\$88,659.95
Liquid Fuels MMA .45%	\$130,000.00
Medical Assistance Transportation .10%	\$11,177.79
Offender Supervision Account Checking .10%	\$59,540.93
Transit Fund Account Checking .10%	\$28,422.83
Wireless 911 .10%	\$203,829.98

Mr. Finn called for public comment. Mr. Gaffney announced that U.S. Sen. Pat Toomey will hold a town hall meeting from 9 – 9:50 a.m. August 26 at the Pine Barn Inn.

Mr. Finn recessed the public meeting and convened a TEFRA (Tax Equity Fiscal Responsibility Act) hearing as requested by Geisinger Health System. Mr. Fitzgerald noted this hearing comes on the heels of a previous hearing in June on an \$800 million bond issue. Mr. Fitzgerald explained that since then the health system has become involved in a merger with Lewistown Hospital in Mifflin County. In order to utilize any funds from the bond issue at the Lewistown facility, another TEFRA hearing is required in Montour County and Mifflin County, where the hospital is located. Mr. Fitzgerald noted the health system generated \$330 million in community benefits and \$5.7 billion in economic benefits. There being no further comment, Mr. Finn adjourned the hearing and reconvened the public meeting.

Mr. Finn recognized Ms. Shrawder, who updated the Board on the 2013 CDBG funds application process, saying the application is due to the state by September 6. Montour County will receive \$211,729.00, an increase of \$206.00. The funds will be utilized for the Cooper Township sewer laterals and senior center projects as well as administration fees.

Under correspondence, the Board noted receipt of a letter from SEDA-COG concerning the availability of CDBG Disaster Recovery Funds to address unmet and long-term disaster recovery needs. While no such projects are currently identified in the County, Ms. Shrawder said additional funding will likely be available in 2014, which the County could apply for should the need arise.

Under old business, Mr. Ward said at its July 16 workshop, the Board tentatively approved Lee Contracting Services as the low bid for the Bridge 7 refurbishment project, pending review by the solicitor and engineer, which has since occurred. Mr. Ward moved to award the contract to Lee Contracting Services, which bid \$92,698.47. Mr. Gerst seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Gerst moved to accept the Victims of Juvenile Offenders Grant of \$3,889.00 from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency for 2013-2014. Mr. Ward seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Under new business, Mr. Gerst moved to adopt Internal Revenue Code Resolution R-8-13-13, approving the Geisinger Authority plan of finance in conjunction with its bond issue. Mr. Ward seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Gerst moved to adopt Ordinance No. 3 of 2013 making the required health, safety and welfare determination for project of the Geisinger Authority. Mr. Ward seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Ward moved to enter into a Professional and Technical Services agreement with SEDA-COG to administer the Housing Rehabilitation Program. Administrative fees will be 5% and delivery fees 15% of the total grant, with the actual dollar amount charged based on the number of homes served by the \$500,000.00 grant. Mr. Gerst seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Ward moved to approve reimbursement agreements with PennDOT for Bridge 14 and Bridge 16 replacement projects. Mr. Gerst seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Ward moved to approve engineering reimbursement agreements with Larson Design Group for the Bridge 14 and Bridge 16 reconstruction projects. Mr. Gerst seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Ward moved to approve Resolution R-8-14-13 giving signatory authority to the Board chairman and extending signatory authority to all commissioners for the bridge reimbursement agreements. Mr. Gerst seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Ward moved to approve the Medical Assistance Transportation Program Grant agreement with the Pennsylvania Department of Public Welfare on behalf of the Transit Agency in the amount of \$310,636.00 for fiscal year 2013-2014. Mr. Gerst seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Ward moved to approve an amendment to the Paratransit/Taxi Service Vendor Agreement between Geisinger Medical Center's Division of Cancer Services and Transit. Mr. Gerst seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Gerst moved to approve a Mutual Cooperation and Coordination Agreement with Geisinger Health Plan to coordinate services with Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation. Mr. Ward seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Gerst moved to approve the reassignment of Laverne Apple from a Seasonal Transit Driver to a Call-in Driver at an hourly rate of \$8.00 effective August 26. Mr. Ward seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Gerst moved to affirm the termination of employment of Deputy Sheriff Dan McGaw effective July 26. Mr. Ward seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Gerst moved to affirm the termination of employment of Deputy Sheriff Ryan Blee effective August 1. Mr. Ward seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Gerst expressed thanks to former Montour County resident Bob Bower of Lexington Park, Md., who, after hearing of vandalism to American flags on veterans' graves, donated \$100.00 to replace the flags.

Commissioners encouraged the public to participate in the annual Columbia and Montour Commissioners Challenge Blood Drive on behalf of the American Red Cross. The drive will be held from 1 – 6 p.m. Wednesday, August, 28, at two locations: the First Baptist Church, 20 Brookside Drive, Danville, and Caldwell Consistory, 150 N. Market St., Bloomsburg.

Mr. Molter announced that AGAPE, a charitable organization which provides food and rental assistance to those in need, will hold its annual Palooza fund-raiser Saturday, August 17, at Bloomsburg Town Park. He also urged support of the Montour-DeLong Community Fair, which is celebrating its 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary this week.

Mr. Molter gave an update on the Shady Oaks mobile home park relocation efforts, stating seven families have been relocated to date through the use of a Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency grant. The landlord of the park must keep public sewer and

water operational until all tenants are gone, per Department of Environmental Protection order, he said. The Board thanked Mr. Molter for spearheading efforts to help the residents of the trailer park find new accommodations.

Mr. Knorr reported on the progress of construction projects in the Borough, with the Route 11 detour expected to continue into late November. He also noted that Route 54 will be closed for four days in late September with traffic rerouted onto Mill Street.

Mr. Gerst moved to pay the following bills: General Account, \$648,91.86; Children & Youth, \$99,430.65; Transit, \$40,031.57; Liquid Fuels, \$717.71; Act 78, \$20,884.47; Domestic Relations, \$21,124.42; Human and Community Service, \$3,981.02. Mr. Ward seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Holly A. Brandon, Chief Clerk