

JUNE 11, 2024 MEETING MINUTES

Formally approved July 9, 2024 meeting

FULL BOARD PRESENT (Ms. Dressler attended via phone); Also present: Greg Molter, Planning/Human Services; Mark Giesen, DACC; Kathi Lynn, Columbia Montour Aging Office; Rev. Steven Hummel, Columbia Montour Companions of Hope; Hannah Davis, Mark Jones, Jeffrey Chaplin, USGS; Craig Lawler, Don King, Mike Komar, Bob Patten, Danville Airport; Lisabeth Finn, Public; Anna Wiest, The Daily Item; Drew Mumich, Press Enterprise.

Mr. Lynn asked those so inclined to rise for a prayer led by Rev. Hummel. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison. The meeting was then opened.

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

General Account Disbursements	\$419,078.81
General Account Receipts	\$99,911.84
General Account Checking	\$2,902,157.95
Capital Reserve Fund	\$5,085.72
Operating Reserve	\$1,565,720.39
Total Checking	\$4,472,964.06
Act 13 Highway-Bridge	\$114,192.13
Act 44	\$110,117.15
Act 89	\$231,923.37
Children and Youth Checking	\$931,345.25
Debt Service Fund	\$1,530,737.51
ERAP 2	\$21,046.22
Flood Mitigation	\$2,876.89
Hazardous Material Account Checking	\$14,132.72
Human & Community Services Checking	\$117,534.45
Improvement Fund Checking .01%	\$15,184.10
Liquid Fuels Checking	\$264,159.25
Offender Supervision Account Checking	\$55,570.76
Opioid Settlement Fund	\$123,120.17
Storm Water Ordinance Escrow	\$53,915.55
Uniform 911 Surcharge	\$722,135.87
Whole Homes Repair	\$54,374.00

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

Mr. Lynn called for public comment. There was none. Mr. Lynn recognized Columbia Montour Aging Office Director Kathi Lynn, who spoke on services provided by the Aging Office. Ms. Lynn said the agency's number one goal is to keep older adults where they belong – in their homes. Aging offers a number of services, such as transportation; home-delivered meals; care management, which provides for personal care aides;

caregiver assistance; a grandparenting program for seniors who are raising grandchildren; and protective services in cases of financial exploitation, physical abuse and neglect.

Mr. Lynn then introduced Rev. Hummel of Columbia-Montour Counties Companions of Hope who spoke of the recently opened New Possibilities resource and recovery center for those struggling with addiction. The center, located at Trinity Reformed United Church of Christ in Bloomsburg, helps place people in recovery. The new non-profit's intent is to support other non-profits groups with meeting and training space. Additionally, the center wants to be a community center for the public, to include a place for such offerings as an arts program.

Mark Jones, Hannah Davis, and Jeffrey Chaplin of the U.S. Geological Survey Williamsport Field Office spoke about water quality sampling and data collection activities. Gage monitoring on streams and rivers measures the height and flow of waters in real time. The data can help minimize the loss of life and property due to natural disasters. If there is interest in installing gages on smaller tributaries, the USGS can work with whatever entity controls the waterways and handle permitting, Mr. Jones said.

Under old business, Mr. Finn moved to approve Resolution R-6-11-202, which provides for an Excessive Force Policy per CDBG requirements. Mr. Lynn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Under new business, Mr. Finn moved to approve a memorandum of understanding with Guadenzia, Inc., which allows Guadenzia to provide mobile medication assistance treatment (MMAT) services to County residents. Under the agreement, the County will provide a location on County property for the MMAT unit to park while individuals are accessing services. The mobile unit services will be available once or twice a month for one to four hours. Mr. Lynn seconded, noting the District Attorney was consulted and will inform the Columbia Montour Drug Court about the program. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to allocate \$50,000.00 in Opioid Settlement Funds to the CMSU to administer its Warm Hand Off Program, which assists individuals receiving emergency care for an overdose or substance abuse injury. Mr. Lynn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to designate DRIVE as a community champion to spearhead the Pennsylvania Broadband Development Authority's Broadband Ready Communities program with municipalities in Montour. Mr. Lynn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Members of the Danville Airport Authority sought approval from the Board to subdivide and sell a 1.5-acre lot from airport grounds. The funds generated by the sale would provide a local match for a grant to resurface the runway and install assisted landing at night. Mr. King said the parcel fronts Sunbury Road and has a wetland drainage swale. The sale of the land would in no way diminish the value or utility of the airport, Mr. King said. The sale requires approval of Commissioners from both Montour and Northumberland counties. Mr. Finn moved to tentatively approve the sale pending solicitor review and Northumberland County approval. Mr. Lynn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to approve amendments to purchaser of services agreements with Families United Network and Family Care for Children and Youth. Mr. Lynn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to approve a purchase of service agreement on behalf of Children & Youth Services with Geisinger Clinic. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all vote in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to reappoint Thomas Balz and Barbara Bickel to three-year terms on the CMSU Developmental Services Advisory Board through June 30, 2027. Mr. Lynn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to affirm the resignation of Ray Gerringer as Chief County Detective effective June 14. Mr. Lynn seconded. Mr. Finn thanked Mr. Gerringer for his many years of service to the people of Montour County. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to affirm the hiring of Christina Randello-Mausteller as an Administrative Assistant in the Office of Magisterial District Judge at an hourly rate of \$14.50 effective May 31. Mr. Lynn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to pay the following bills: General Account, \$59,547.74; Children & Youth, \$38,121.73; Liquid Fuels, \$410.89; Other, \$72,489.2757. Mr. Lynn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted By:

Holly A. Brandon, Chief Clerk