

May 28, 2024
11:00 A.M.

FULL BOARD PRESENT; Also present: Will McKenna, Sheriff; Greg Molter, Planning; Michelle Hunsinger, Register & Recorder; Kim Wheeler, Melissa Matthews, Lucyann Vierling, Nancy Osborn, Tyler Dombroski, Leslie Hosterman, SEDA-COG; Mark Giesen, DACC.

Ms. Dressler asked those so inclined to rise for a prayer led by Rev. Molter. 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 Checking	\$3,221,324.92
Capital Reserve Fund	\$5,081.85
Operating Reserve	\$1,570,993.24
Total Checking	\$4,797,400.01
Act 13 Highway-Bridge	\$113,768.14
Act 44	\$110,033.27
Act 89	\$231,923.37
Children and Youth Checking	\$957,771.45
Debt Service Fund	\$1,526,958.55
ERAP 2	\$21,034.64
Flood Mitigation	\$2,874.70
Hazardous Material Account Checking	\$14,124.65
Human & Community Services Checking	\$125,189.31
Improvement Fund Checking .01%	\$15,172.54
Liquid Fuels Checking	\$258,250.84
Offender Supervision Account Checking	\$55,586.37
Opioid Settlement Fund	\$122,663.03
Storm Water Ordinance Escrow	\$53,915.55
Uniform 911 Surcharge	\$719,553.32
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.

Ms. Dressler called for public comment. There was none.

Ms. Dressler introduced Kim Wheeler, SEDA-COG Executive Director, who provided an overview of the community and economic development organization, which serves 11 counties in the areas of business, communities, residences and transportation services. SEDA-COG programs include weatherization and home upgrade services, flood resiliency projects, community revitalization, assisting businesses with exports, as well as servicing small business loans. Additionally, SEDA-COG owns and operates the Welsh Heights affordable housing units in Danville.

Currently, the organization is working on mapping and data analysis for EV charging station in its 11-county service area, she said.

Mr. Finn asked if any progress has been made on the state level to eliminate prevailing wage provisions for home rehabilitation programs in order to serve more residents with housing program funds by waiving the prevailing wage requirement. He suggested setting up a meeting with state Sen. Lynda Schlegel Culver's office to discuss the matter.

Concerning workforce challenges, Mr. Finn also asked if SEDA-COG could turn some focus on affordable childcare to get people back to work by possibly assisting on a study on the subject, noting the hourly median wage for childcare workers is \$12.00, which makes it hard to attract workers. The end result being that the workforce suffers as people stay at home with their children, he said.

There was no old business.

Under new business, Mr. Lynn moved to approve an Indigent Defense Services Fund grant application of \$89,450.00 to the PCCD. Mr. Finn seconded. The funds would be utilized to support the functions of the Public Defender's Office, including the hiring of a part-time caseworker and a part-time driver or ride share service to help clients with transportation to court proceedings. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Ms. Dressler moved to accept a \$3,000.00 Election Security Grant allocation from the Department of State for voting-related expenditures. Mr. Lynn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Lynn moved to update CDBG documents as follows: Code of Conduct, Procedure and Resolution, Drug-Free Workplace, Financial Management Plan. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to approve purchase of services agreements on behalf of CYS as follows: Bucks County, Drug and Alcohol Rehabilitation Services Inc., George Junior Republic; Preventative Aftercare, Hoffman Homes for Youth. Mr. Lynn seconded. On called vote all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn moved to accept the resignation of Paul Kloberg, VA Director, effective May 17. Mr. Lynn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Ms. Dressler announced that the June 25 meeting of the Board has been cancelled.

Mr. Finn thanked all involved for the wonderful Memorial Day parade and program.

Mr. Lynn moved to pay the following bills: General Account, \$1,500,034.98; Children & Youth, \$28,678.84; Liquid Fuels, \$10,843.26; Food Pantry, \$41.21; Other, \$8,540.57. Mr. Finn seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Holly A. Brandon, Chief Clerk