WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2026

A MEETING OF THE SCHUYLKILL COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS WAS HELD ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 22, 2026, AT 10:00 AM.

PLEASE NOTE: THE PUBLIC MAY ATTEND THE MEETING IN PERSON OR JOIN TODAY'S MEETING VIA ZOOM.

ATTENDING: COMMISSIONER LARRY PADORA; COMMISSIONER BARRON HETHERINGTON; COMMISSIONER GARY HESS; COUNTY SHERIFF SHAWN BUTLER; RISK MANAGER / HUMAN RESOURCES SPECIALIST HEATHER GARRITY; FINANCE DIRECTOR GLENN GEISSINGER; ASSISTANT COUNTY SOLICITOR SHELBY HOSTETTER; DIRECTOR OF HUMAN SERVICES / BLOCK GRANT MANAGER SHARON LOVE; DIRECTOR OF REAL ESTATE / ENGINEERING LISA MAHALL; COUNTY CONTROLLER SHARYN YACKENCHICK; COUNTY TREASURER LINDA YEICH; AND CHIEF CLERK KIM MASHACK.

SESSION CALLED TO ORDER BY COMMISSIONER PADORA.

THE MEETING WAS OPENED WITH THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG.

IN RE: REPORT OF EXECUTIVE SESSIONS HELD

THE CHIEF CLERK REPORTED THAT THERE WERE NO SESSIONS HELD.

PRESENTATION – NEBIUS – BUTLER TOWNSHIP DATA CENTER

DANIELLE MILICH, PUBLIC AFFAIRS MANAGER FOR NEBIUS, SPOKE TO THE GROUP ABOUT THE DATA CENTER TO BE BUILT IN THE HIGHRIDGE INDUSTRIAL PARK.

IN RE: PUBLIC COMMENTS

CHRIS MELUSKY, NORWEGIAN TOWNSHIP, COMMENTED ON NATURAL SOIL PRODUCTS AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENT PROTECTION.

LARA WISCOUNT, TREMONT, COMMENTED ON THE ODOR IN THE WEST END OF THE COUNTY.

JOE WISCOUNT, TREMONT, COMMENTED ON THE ODOR IN THE WEST END OF THE COUNTY.

MELINDA DEIBERT, NORTH MANHEIM TOWNSHIP, COMMENTED ON VOLUNTEERISM IN THE COUNTY.

ROSEANNE WEINRICH, BUTLER TOWNSHIP, COMMENTED ON NEBIUS – DATA CENTER.

LISA VON AHN, POTTSVILLE, COMMENTED ON THE ELECTION BUREAU.

JEFF DUNKEL, PALO ALTO, COMMENTED ON THE REGISTER OF WILLS' OFFICE, MISSING COURT EVIDENCE, PUBLIC DOCUMENTS, TAX BILLS AND NATURAL SOIL PRODUCTS.

LEIGH HERSCH, POTTSVILLE, COMMENTED ON DATA CENTERS.

COUNTY SHERIFF SHAWN BUTLER GAVE AN UPDATE ON THE COUNTY'S CANINE PROGRAM AND ANNOUNCED THAT THE MINERSVILLE GIRLS' SOFTBALL TEAM WILL BE PLAYING IN A TOURNAMENT.

IN RE: APPROVAL OF MINUTES

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE WORK SESSION MEETING OF JULY 15, 2026.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: ADULT PROBATION – ONE (1) CONTRACT

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSOCIATES OF SCHUYLKILL COUNTY, LLC (NOW OPERATING UNDER INTEGRATED MEDICAL GROUP, PC) TO PROVIDE COUNSELING SERVICES AS DESCRIBED FOR A PERIOD OF SIX (6) MONTHS BEGINNING JULY 1, 2026, AND ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2026.

PSYCHOSEXUAL ASSESSMENT	$425
POLYGRAPH TESTING	$410
INDIVIDUAL COUNSELING	$100
GROUP COUNSELING	$40
COURT APPEARANCE	$200/HOUR

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: CHILDREN & YOUTH – ONE (1) ADDENDUM, FOUR (4) AGREEMENTS

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE AN ADDENDUM TO THE AGREEMENT WITH AVANCO INTERNATIONAL, CAMP HILL, PA, (DATED APRIL 23, 2025) FOR CAPS VERSION 19 UPGRADE, AT A TOTAL PROJECT COST OF $19,138.76.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH PERSEUS HOUSE, INC., ERIE, PA, FOR RESIDENTIAL SERVICES AT $365.40 PER DIEM, SHELTER SERVICES AT $337.65 PER DIEM, AND TRANSITIONAL LIVING SERVICES AT $314.31 PER DIEM. THE TERM IS JULY 1, 2026, TO JUNE 30, 2027.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH ACCESS SERVICES, FORT WASHINGTON, PA, FOR REBOUND IN-HOME MENTORING AND TRUANCY DIVERSION SERVICES AT $24.50 PER QUARTER-HOUR UNIT OF SERVICE; AND FOR CHRONIC ABSENTEEISM IDENTIFICATION AND REDUCTION (CAIR) PROGRAM AT A UNIT PRICE OF $10,080 PER NINE (9) WEEK ROUND OF SESSIONS. THE TERM IS JULY 1, 2026, TO JUNE 30, 2027.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH WHITE DEER RUN, LLC, TORRANCE, PA, FOR RESIDENTIAL PLACEMENT SERVICES WITH PER DIEM RATES AS FOLLOWS: ADOLESCENT MALE SEX OFFENDERS-COVE PREP AT $553.50 AND SECURE UNIT ADOLESCENT MALE SEXUAL OFFENDER PROGRAM AT $750.49. THE TERM IS JULY 1, 2026, TO JUNE 30, 2027.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A CONTRACT WITH CORPORATE SECURITY AND INVESTIGATIONS, MONACA, PA FOR INVESTIGATIVE SERVICES AT A RATE OF $110 PER HOUR, AND TRAINING SERVICES AS FOLLOWS: INVESTIGATIVE PRACTICE TRAINING $1,750 PER 8 HOUR SESSION, AND INTERVIEW TECHNIQUES TRAINING AT $500 PER 2-HOUR SESSION. THE TERM IS JULY 1, 2026, TO JUNE 30, 2027.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: DRUG & ALCOHOL – TWO (2) AGREEMENTS

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH CHILDREN'S HOME OF READING YOUTH & FAMILY SERVICES, INC. FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2026, TO JUNE 30, 2027, TO PROVIDE THE SCHUYLKILL COUNTY NURSE FAMILY PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM WITH A CONTRACT CAP OF $577,204.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH SERVICE ACCESS AND MANAGEMENT, INC. FOR THE PERIOD JULY

1, 2026, TO JUNE 30, 2027, TO ASSIST THE COUNTY WITH THE OPERATIONS OF THE DRUG & ALCOHOL STATE OPIOID RESPONSE HOUSING PROGRAM WITH A CONTRACT CAP OF $150,000.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: GRANT WRITERS – TWO (2) REVISIONS, ONE (1) COOPERATION AGREEMENT, ONE (1) RESOLUTION, ONE (1) CONTRACT, ONE (1) ADVERTISEMENT, ONE (1) REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A REVISION TO THE 2023 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM MOVING $1,013.75 FROM THE SCHUYLKILL HAVEN WILLOW STREET PARK LINE ITEM TO THE SCHUYLKILL HAVEN SAYLOR STREET PARK LINE ITEM; $114.00 FROM THE TAMAQUA GLENWOOD STREET IMPROVEMENT & $114 FROM THE LAFAYETTE & HEGARTY LINE ITEMS TO THE TAMAQUA HUNTER STREET LINE ITEM.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A REVISION TO THE 2022 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM MOVING $866 FROM THE TAMAQUA CLAY STREET LINE ITEM TO THE TAMAQUA HUNTER STREET LINE ITEM.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A COOPERATION AGREEMENT WITH THE BOROUGH OF ST. CLAIR FOR A DEMOLITION PROJECT AT 516-518 E. HANCOCK STREET.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO APPLY FOR THE 2026 EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF $343,245, ON BEHALF OF SCHUYLKILL HOPE CENTER AND SERVANTS TO ALL.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A CONTRACT FOR $5,500 WITH M&L ASSOCIATES FOR PREPARATION OF AN EMERGENCY SOLUTIONS GRANT APPLICATION.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE ADVERTISEMENT FOR A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT STREET IMPROVEMENTS PROJECT IN THE BOROUGH OF TAMAQUA. BIDS WILL BE DONE VIA PENNBID AND MUST BE SUBMITTED BY 9:00 AM ON WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12, 2026.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE SUBMITTAL OF A REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP) FROM A LIST OF 3 QUALIFIED ENGINEERING FIRMS WHO RESPONDED TO OUR REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS. THIS IS FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES COVERING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT 2025 PROGRAM YEAR.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: MENTAL HEALTH / DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES – ONE (1) AMENDMENT, ONE (1) PURCHASE OF SERVICE AGREEMENT

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE AMENDMENT #1 TO APPENDIX "H" OF SERVICE ACCESS & MANAGEMENT, INC.'S PURCHASE OF SERVICE AGREEMENT INCREASING THEIR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025 CONTRACT TO $7,167,218, A TOTAL INCREASE OF $287,921. THE CHANGE IS DUE TO THE FINAL ALLOCATIONS RECEIVED FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024-2025.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A PURCHASE OF SERVICE AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY OF SCHUYLKILL AND SERVICE ACCESS AND MANAGEMENT, INC. FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2026, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2027, WHICH INCLUDES THE "APPENDIX H" OF THE PURCHASE OF SERVICE AGREEMENT IN THE AMOUNT OF $6,975,930, THAT CONSTITUTES THE DISTRIBUTION OF MENTAL HEALTH / INDIVIDUAL DEVELOPMENTAL DELAY / EARLY INTERVENTION SERVICE DOLLARS.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: ENGINEERING & REAL ESTATE – ONE (1) RESOLUTION, ONE (1) GRANT AMENDMENT, ONE (1) AGREEMENT

ON BEHALF OF SOLID WASTE AND RECYCLING

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE REVISED AND UPDATED DRAFT #4 OF THE 2026 MUNICPAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR SCHUYLKILL COUNTY AS THE OFFICIAL PLAN IN ACCORDANCE WITH PENNSYLVANIA ACT 101, THE MUNICIPAL WASTE PLANNING, RECYCLING AND WASTE REDUCTION ACT. THE PROPOSED PLAN IS TO ENSURE THE AVAILABILITY OF ADEQUATE PERMITTED PROCESSING AND DISPOSAL CAPABILTY FOR ALL WASTE GENERATED IN SCHUYLKILL COUNTY FOR THE 10-YEAR PLANNING PERIOD. A COPY OF DRAFT #4 IS AVAILABLE BY REQUEST AT THE OFFICE OF SOLID WASTE AND EACH MUNICIPALITY HAS RECEIVED A DIGITAL COPY OF THE PLAN FOR REVIEW.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

ON BEHALF OF PLANNING & ZONING

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT AMENDMENT REQUEST TO THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES (DCNR) FOR THE SWEET ARROW LAKE AND FROG HOLLOW MASTER SITE PLAN. THE MOTION ALSO AUTHORIZED CHAIRMAN LARRY PADORA TO EXECUTE THE GRANT AMENDMENT REQUEST LETTER AND AUTHORIZES SUSAN SMITH, COUNTY PLANNING AND GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEMS DIRECTOR AS THE LOCAL PROJECT COORDINATOR TO SUBMIT THE AMENDMENT REQUEST TO DCNR ON BEHALF OF THE COUNTY.

THE AMENDMENT REQUESTS AN INCREASE OF $8,920 TO THE TOTAL PROJECT BUDGET, CONSISTING OF AN ADDITIONAL $4,460 IN DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES GRANT FUNDING AND A CORRESPONDING $4,460 LOCAL MATCH. THE REQUIRED LOCAL MATCH HAS BEEN COMMITTED TO BY THE FRIENDS OF SCHUYLKILL PARKS AND RECREATION. THE ADDITIONAL FUNDING WILL EXPAND THE PROJECT SCOPE TO INCLUDE PREPARATION OF A FOREST STEWARDSHIP PLAN FOR THE PROJECT PROPERTIES.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A LAND DEVELOPMENT IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY IN THE FORM OF THE COUNTY'S STANDARD DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE COUNTY AND THE APPLICANT FOR THE "PRELIMINARY/FINAL LAND DEVELOPMENT MACH-ONE REALTY LLC", DATED MARCH 25, 2026, AND LAST REVISED ON MAY 13, 2026, WHICH IS LOCATED IN PINE GROVE BOROUGH AND TO AUTHORIZE EXECUTION OF THIS AGREEMENT BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS. THE LAND DEVELOPMENT PLAN WAS CONDITIONALLY APPROVED BY THE COUNTY PLANNING COMMISSION AT THEIR JULY 8, 2026, MEETING.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: PRISON – ONE (1) AGREEMENT

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE AN AGREEMENT WITH TRINITY SERVICES GROUP TO REPLACE FAILING KITCHEN EQUIPMENT. TRINITY SERVICES WILL MAKE A $100,000 CAPITAL FUND AVAILABLE TO THE COUNTY FOR THE PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT EQUIPMENT, WHICH WILL BE REIMBURSED TO TRINITY SERVICES THROUGH RESTRUCTURING OF FOOD SERVICE PROCEDURES AND PRICING. THE NEW EQUIPMENT WILL BE INSTALLED BY HOBART FOR AN ESTIMATED COST OF $8,750.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: TAX CLAIM OFFICE – ONE (1) REPOSITORY SALE

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE FOLLOWING REPOSITORY SALE BID PURSUANT TO 72 P.S. § 5860.625.

REPOSITORY SALES				
Parcel Number	Owner(s) of Record	Description	Bid Amount	Bidder(s)
^36-08-0117.000	Glen Paterson	0 Schuylkill Avenue West Mahanoy Township	$1,551.00	Matthew Kropp

All parcels were previously approved by municipalities and school districts.
^The bids are less than Repository price and approved by Municipalities & School Districts.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: TREASURER'S OFFICE – ONE (1) REPORT

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2026.

MONTHLY CASH STATEMENT - JUNE 2026				
GENERAL FUND	$7,942,782.58	$10,481,350.83	-$16,189,176.09	$2,234,957.32
OTHER COUNTY	$19,069,665.39	$21,257,887.98	-$21,164,709.29	$19,162,844.08
COUNTY AGENCIES	$8,689,270.52	$2,632,895.97	-$4,231,218.79	$7,090,947.70
INVESTMENTS	$72,509,054.95	$3,900,326.08	-$1,322,000.00	$75,087,381.03
WORKERS COMP	$4,665.67	$35,093.84	-$14,904.81	$24,854.70
TOTALS	$108,215,439.11	$38,307,554.70	-$42,922,008.98	$103,600,984.83

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

FINANCE OFFICE

FOR INFORMATION ONLY – TWO (2) 2026 BUDGET ADJUSTMENTS

IN RE: MENTAL HEALTH / DEVELOPMENTAL SERVICES

ADJUST BUDGETARY AUTHORITY IN THE AMOUNT OF $186,500 TO COVER MATERIALS, SUPPLIES AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES FOR THE GRACE GRANT THROUGH AUGUST 2026.

IN RE: PRISON

ADJUST BUDGETARY AUTHORITY IN THE AMOUNT OF $550 TO COVER THE LEASE TO YEAR END.

COUNTY ADMINISTRATION

THERE WAS NOTHING TO REPORT AT TODAY'S MEETING.

HUMAN RESOURCES OFFICE

PERSONNEL ACTIONS

IN RE: VETERANS AFFAIRS – ONE (1) APPOINTMENT

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPOINT VICTORIA SPITLER, SCHUYLKILL HAVEN, PA, TO THE DIRECTOR POSITION, EXEMPT, PAY RANGE 7, AT AN ANNUAL SALARY OF $65,000. EFFECTIVE JULY 27, 2026.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: PRISON – TWO (2) APPOINTMENTS

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPOINT BRIAN DUGAN, FRACKVILLE, PA, TO A CORRECTION OFFICER – PART-TIME POSITION, TEAMSTERS, AT AN HOURLY RATE OF $26.4555. RATE IS PER UNION CONTRACT. EFFECTIVE JULY 27, 2026.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPOINT TAYLOR SWINEHART, TREVORTON, PA, TO A CORRECTION OFFICER – PART-TIME POSITION, TEAMSTERS, AT AN HOURLY RATE OF $26.4555. RATE IS PER UNION CONTRACT. EFFECTIVE JULY 27, 2026.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: TAX ASSESSMENT – ONE (1) APPOINTMENT, ONE (1) TRANSFER

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPOINT KIMBERLY GRAEFF, WAYNE TOWNSHIP, PA, TO A CLERK TYPIST II POSITION, AFSCME, PAY RANGE 4, AT AN HOURLY RATE OF $14.9753. RATE IS PER UNION CONTRACT. EFFECTIVE AUGUST 3, 2026.
VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO TRANSFER MEGAN FELTY, WALKER TOWNSHIP, PA, FROM A PAYROLL SPECIALIST – CONTROLLER TO A MAPPING TECHNICIAN POSITION, AFSCME, PAY RANGE 5, AT AN HOURLY RATE OF $15.7769. RATE IS PER UNION CONTRACT. EFFECTIVE AUGUST 3, 2026.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IN RE: HUMAN RESOURCES – ONE (1) APPOINTMENT

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPOINT RACHEL BARR, SCHUYLKILL HAVEN, PA, TO AN OFFICE SUPPORT / SECRETARIAL

POSITION, AFSCME, PAY RANGE 3, AT AN HOURLY RATE OF $14.2805. RATE IS PER UNION CONTRACT. EFFECTIVE AUGUST 3, 2026.

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

INFORMATIONAL

THERE WAS NOTHING TO REPORT AT TODAY'S MEETING.

*ALL APPOINTMENTS ARE PENDING DRUG TEST AND PHYSICAL.
*ALL ACTIONS INVOLVING SALARY OR FOR POSITIONS BEING CREATED ARE PENDING SALARY BOARD APPROVAL.

NEW BUSINESS

ON BEHALF OF HUMAN RESOURCES

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE THE CONTINUATION OF THE EMPLOYEE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM WITH INROADS AT FAMILY GUIDANCE CENTER. THE CONTRACT COVERS JULY 1, 2026, TO JUNE 30, 2027, PROVIDES UP TO THREE SESSIONS, PER HOUSEHOLD MEMBER, PER CONTRACT YEAR. THE COST IS $10 PER COVERED EMPLOYEE PER YEAR. EACH EMPLOYEE SESSION IS BILLED AT $70 PER SESSION. IF CRITICAL INCIDENT STRESS DEBRIEFINGS ARE NEEDED, THE COST IS $150 PER HOUR PLUS MILEAGE. ADDITIONAL REQUIRED CONSULTING COST IS $90 PER HOUR PLUS MILEAGE, OR $160 PER HOUR PLUS MILEAGE FOR TWO CONSULTANTS. THE CONTRACT INCLUDES TWO HOURS OF TRAINING PER YEAR, WITH ADDITIONAL TRAINING SESSIONS BILLED AT $150 PER HOUR PLUS MILEAGE. ORIENTATION AND LITERATURE THAT CAN BE DISTRIBUTED TO EMPLOYEES IS ALSO INCLUDED IN THE CONTRACT. **IMMEDIATE APPROVAL REQUESTED.**

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

ON BEHALF OF HUMAN SERVICES

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A RATE AGREEMENT WITH HORIZON INFORMATION SYSTEMS, JOHNSTOWN, PA FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION, SETUP, MONTHLY SUBSCRIPTION, AND CUSTOM PROGRAMMING OF HORIZON TRANSPORTATION SOFTWARE FOR THE MEDICAL ASSISTANCE TRANSPORTATION PROGRAM FOR THE PERIOD OF JULY 1, 2026, TO JUNE 30, 2031. SOFTWARE IMPLEMENTATION, SET-UP, TRAINING, & DATA CONVERSION WILL BE A ONE-TIME CHARGE OF $3,475 AND IS EXPECTED TO START ON OR AROUND AUGUST 7, 2026. SUBSCRIPTION FEES ARE $209 PER MONTH. CUSTOM PROGRAMMING, IF NEEDED, WOULD BE $275 / HOUR. **IMMEDIATE APPROVAL REQUESTED.**

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

ON BEHALF OF CONTROLLER'S OFFICE

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE TO EXTEND SERVICES WITH GABRIEL, ROEDER, SMITH & COMPANY, OUR ACTUARY SERVICER, FOR DESIGN AND IMPLEMENTATION OF THE PENSION ADMINISTRATION SYSTEM AT A ONE TIME FEE OF $17,000. AFTER THE IMPLEMENTATION PROCESS IS COMPLETED, A MAINTENANCE FEE OF $20,500 WILL BE CHARGED FOR THE FIRST YEAR. THIS FEE WILL INCREASE EACH YEAR NOT TO EXCEED 3%. **IMMEDIATE APPROVAL REQUESTED.**

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

ON BEHALF OF TAX CLAIM

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION APPOINTING LISA YANEK, DENISE BURKE, NICOLE PEEL, JOSEPH GERCHAK, CATHY MANNING AND COLLEEN WARMKESSEL [WHO ARE VESTED WITH ALL DUTIES AND POWERS THEREUNDER FOR POSTING AND SERVICE OF ALL NOTICES AND TO MAKE PERSONAL SERVICE REQUIRED BY THE PENNSYLVANIA REAL ESTATE TAX SALE LAW (RETSL)] FOR THE 2025 ENTRY OF CLAIM POSTING, AND 2026 UPSET TAX SALE POSTING AND FILING WITH

THE BUREAU A WRITTEN PROOF OF SERVICE SETTING FORTH THE NAME OF PERSONS SERVED, DATE, TIME AND PLACE OF SERVICE, AND ATTACHMENT OF A COPY OF THE NOTICE WHICH WAS SERVED. **IMMEDIATE APPROVAL REQUESTED.**

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

ON BEHALF OF ENGINEERING

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A GRANT APPLICATION SUBMITTAL TO THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT FOR THE MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION FUND FOR THE KEYSTONE BOULEVARD ROADWAY REHABILITATION AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT, LOCATED WITHIN THE HIGHRIDGE BUSINESS PARK. KEYSTONE BOULEVARD IS A COUNTY-OWNED ROAD AND IS MANAGED BY THE HIGHRIDGE IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT AUTHORITY (HIDA). THE APPLICATION FOR MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION FUND (MTF) WOULD PROVIDE UP TO 70% FUNDING, WITH THE REMAINING 30% MATCHING FUNDS PROVIDED BY SEDCO. THE KEYSTONE BOULEVARD ROADWAY REHABILITATION AND SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT COST IS ESTIMATED AT $1,126,264, WITH THE MTF GRANT REQUEST OF $788,385 AND THE 30% MATCH OF $337,879 PROVIDED BY SEDCO. **IMMEDIATE APPROVAL REQUESTED.**

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

IT WAS MOVED BY COMMISSIONER HETHERINGTON, SECONDED BY COMMISSIONER HESS TO APPROVE A RESOLUTION TO EXECUTE ALL DOCUMENTS AND AGREEMENTS WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT TO FACILITATE AND ASSIST IN OBTAINING THE REQUESTED PENN DOT MULTIMODAL TRANSPORTATION GRANT FOR THE KEYSTONE BOULEVARD ROADWAY REHABILITATION AND SAFETY PROJECT. **IMMEDIATE APPROVAL REQUESTED.**

VOTE:

PADORA—AYE HETHERINGTON—AYE HESS—AYE

MOTION ADOPTED.

COMMISSIONER PADORA ANNOUNCED THAT THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON THURDAY, AUGUST 6, 2026.

ADJOURNMENT

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS, COMMISSIONER PADORA ADJOURNED THE MEETING.

ATTEST: _____