

PRESENT: Mario J. Civera, Jr., Chairman; Colleen P. Morrone, Vice Chairman; John P. McBlain, Council Member; David J. White, Council Member; Michael F. Culp, Council Member; Edward O'Lone, Controller; Marianne Grace, Executive Director; Michael L. Maddren, Solicitor; Anne M. Coogan, County Clerk; and other department heads.

Chairman Civera called the regular meeting of January 27, 2016 to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by Richard O'Flynn, a student from Devon Preparatory School. Lori Devlin, Director of the Department of Intercommunity Health, gave the invocation.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 20, 2016, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Central Tax Collection Department's request for refunds for the years 2011-2015 County Real Estate Taxes for 11 property owners due to the overpayment of the amount of taxes due, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Adam Matlawski, of the Delaware County Authority, to speak on Agenda Items 6 and 7.

Mr. Matlawski said Item 6 and 7 are adoption of policies that deal with financings that the County may do.

The first item is the adoption of the Post-Issuance Compliance Policy under Federal Tax Law Compliance Policy and the second item is an adoption of a Post-Issuance Compliance Policy for purposes of continuing disclosures as required by the Securities and Exchange Act. Both of these items are Post-Issuance Compliance Policies which the County would put into place putting the Controller in the position of making sure that after a financing is issued that you do what you are required to do under the Federal Tax Laws and other Securities and Exchange regulations with respect to continuing disclosures posting things on the appropriate websites, etc.

Mr. Matlawski said he strongly recommends the County have these policies in place. The Tax Post-Issuance Compliance Policy is something that helps the County maintain its tax-exempt status with the IRS for financing purposes. It is also quite favorable in the event you ever found yourself in an audit situation.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 6, the adoption of County of Delaware Post-Issuance Federal Tax Law Compliance Policy for Obligations, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 7, the adoption of County of Delaware Post-Issuance Compliance Policy for Obligations subject to Rule 15c2-12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Dennis Carey, of the Public Works Department, to speak on Agenda Item 8.

Working with Controller O'Lone and in compliance with PennDOT's reporting mechanism for the 991 Form, Mr. Carey said we are required (basically) to go back into the Liquid Fuels Tax Fund annual budget years and adjust that to reflect what municipalities have in fact received in Liquid Fuels Tax Fund monies for the years and then recapture the monies that were not spent instead of having it rollover and be duplicative in further and future reporting mechanisms. This also reflects the actual dollar values regarding county projects that have been spent that year. This includes no new work; it is just a reporting and accounting mechanism to recapture the funds based upon what was actually spent for those years.

Mr. Carey further said we will be coming to Council, as we typically do in the early part of the year, probably in mid-February, for the allocations of the 2016 Liquid Fuels Tax Fund monies to the municipalities based on project eligibility and application to PennDOT for the monies.

Mr. White said, if he was correct, that Delaware County is one of the few counties, if not the only county, who returns these funds to the municipalities and distributes them. So, we receive it but we distribute the funds to the municipalities.

Mr. Carey said that was true. On an annual basis Council allocates approximately 70% of the receipts of our annual Liquid Fuels Tax Fund monies received from PennDOT for the various municipalities throughout the county. For the last twenty-five years, County Council has never used any General Fund monies nor Capital Fund monies to fund any bridge program be it for maintenance, capital expenditures or bridge replacements. We have always looked to the Liquid Fuels Tax monies, which is a true compliment to County Council as to how they have managed this project over the years.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 8, applications to PennDOT to encumber Liquid Fuels Tax Fund (LFTF) monies for 2013 and 2014 based on project specific costs. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to renew the Clearpath Software License and Support for period of three (3) years from Professional Networking Consultants, Inc. at a total cost of \$28,764.00. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on David Belanger, Director of Library Services, to speak on Agenda Item 10.

Mr. Belanger said Item 10 is the renewal of the annual Book Leasing Program, which is his department's way to get more people to read more. This allows us to lease 250 new books every month of best sellers of very popular books to keep the waiting list down for people to get

books they are most interested in. This leasing option gives us the ability to return the books once the popularity dies down. This program has been in place for several years and it has proved to be very popular.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 10 to renew the annual Book Leasing Contract with McNaughton Book Services, a Division of Brodart Company, for the period of January 2016 through December 2016, at the cost of \$51,150.00. (Funding: State) The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving a Grant to the Township of Ridley in the amount of \$30,000.00 to purchase two (2) police canines and related training and equipment for the Ridley Township Police Department. (Restricted Gaming Funds) The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving a Lease Agreement between BPG Office VI Baldwin Tower LP and the County of Delaware commencing on or about May 1, 2016 for the term of ten (10) years with the option to renew for an additional five (5) year term providing 20,583 square feet of office space at the average rate of \$21.25 per square foot for Children & Youth Services. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Joe Dougherty, Director of Human Services, to speak on Agenda Item 13.

Mr. Dougherty asked for Council's approval of two contracts for Drug and Alcohol Treatment Providers and seven Subsidized Day Care Providers of Service. There is no County dollars associated with the approval of this request.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agreements, Contracts and Amendments with the Human Services Provider of Services. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Mrs. Morrone to speak on Agenda Item 14, a Resolution declaring January 25-29 the first Pennsylvania Teen Health Week in Delaware County.

Mrs. Morrone said it has been said that two of the most challenging times in a person's life are being a teenager and raising a teenager.

In Delaware County, we value the young people in our communities and we recognize that promoting good physical and mental health in adolescents from age 10 to 19 is an important goal.

Thanks to a group of Delaware County advocates who are promoting teen health, Pennsylvania has declared the first Teen Health Week in the Commonwealth, from January 25-29. We are midway through that week today.

On Monday, the week was officially announced at the College of Physicians in Philadelphia. We are proud to be able to announce it today in Delaware County. Teens are being encouraged to hold pep rally events, post the bright green Teen Health Week poster in their libraries and cafeterias, and to wear lime green colors to raise awareness about teen health literacy.

The declaration of Teen Health Week was initiated in large part by a group of people in Delaware County who are working with teenagers to strengthen their health literacy.

Dr. Laura Offutt, of Wayne, has created a web-based teen health resource called "*Real Talk with Dr. Offutt*." Her mission is to engage teens in their health care by encouraging discussion, and by trying to get them to seek accurate, legitimate health information, particularly when they go online.

Dr. Offutt is an internal medicine physician, a member of the College of Physicians of Philadelphia and is a volunteer physician at Community Volunteers in Medicine. As the mother of two children, she realized that the majority of teenagers go to the Internet with their health questions. They are not equipped to determine the accuracy and quality of all the information posted on the Internet.

She created "*Real Talk*" to spread accurate information and to answer anonymous health questions from teenagers. During the summer, she seeks input from a teen panel of students. They talk about a wide array of teen health topics from distracted driving and drug addiction to eating disorders and stress.

Last summer's panel members included Aysha Azam from West Chester University and high school students – Jonathan Eyer, Jacob Jakielaszek, Devon Kinney, Richard O'Flynn, Hannah Supplee, Mariah Pena and Grace Wu.

Adult partners in her efforts include Mary Ann McCarthy, a Radnor Board of Health member and retired health teacher; Herbert Hazan, past-president of the Radnor Board of Health; David McKeighan, Executive Director of the Delaware and Chester County Medical Societies; and our own Senior Medical Advisor, Dr. George Avetian.

On behalf of Teen Health Week, Dr. Offutt accepted the Resolution and thanked County Council for recognizing Teen Health Week in Delaware County. She said Richard O'Flynn approached her with the suggestion of trying to obtain a State Proclamation, so taking that idea and running with it, we are here today promoting Teen Health Week.

Chairman Civera called on Mr. White to speak on Agenda Item 15, a Resolution recognizing *All Delco Reads*, the Delaware County Reading Council's initiative to encourage all county residents to read "Orphan Train."

For the past several years, Mr. White said communities across the country have launched reading programs that encourage one state, one city or one county to read a special book selection and then discuss it.

The goal is to promote literacy and to bring communities together through their mutual interest in one book. In Delaware County, the program is called *All Delco Reads* and it's organized through the Delaware County Reading Council.

This year, Delaware County residents are encouraged to read the inspirational story "Orphan Train," a novel by Christina Baker Kline. Her novel is based on the real life orphan trains that transported orphaned and abandoned children from the East Coast to Midwest farms between the years of 1854 and 1929.

Her book has two main characters, a Depression-era orphan and a modern day foster child, both seeking a safe, nurturing home. Ms. Kline was the guest speaker at the annual CASA Youth Advocates Gala last fall and the audience was very moved by the author's description of the challenges faced by these unwanted children.

County Council is partnering with the Delaware County Reading Council and our Library System to urge young people and adults to read "Orphan Train" and to discuss the book among friends, over dinner, in organized book clubs or at library programs.

The theme for this year's *All Delco Reads Initiative* is "Life Is a Journey of Lessons Learned." There are three books that exemplify this theme: "Orphan Train" for high school students and adults; "Rodzina," also a story about an orphan, for middle school students; and "Locomotive" for elementary school students.

Dr. Susan Kulp is a member of the Reading Council and also a reading specialist at Eddystone Elementary School, in the Ridley School District. She invites all groups who read "Orphan Train" this year to send photos and comments to the Reading Council's Facebook page.

People have several ways to access the *All Delco Reads* book selection, from the hard copy of the book at their local library or by downloading it on their digital device. If you are not a member of your local library, we highly recommend that you join and get a library card. This is your ticket to hours of reading, either with books from the library or by downloading e-books from our library system website.

Attending this morning's meeting to accept the Resolution were the following individuals: Dr. Susan Kulp, of the Reading Council and David Belanger, Director of the Delaware County Library System.

Dr. Kulp thanked County Council for partnering with the Delaware County Reading Council's *All Delco Reads* program. This is a special initiative for the Reading Council to join communities and schools in the act of reading passionate books that are based around a theme.

Mr. Belanger thanked County Council for this recognition of the importance of reading. He encourages everyone in Delaware County to read more. He also thanked Council for posing with their favorite books for their semi-annual READ posters. The Delaware County Library System has 1.4 million books and other items available for anyone to checkout and use for *free* with a library card.

Mr. Belanger announced the new library cards with the new logo have arrived. He presented one of the first of the new cards to Delaware County Library Liaison Dave White.

Chairman Civera called on Mrs. Morrone to continue with today's Agenda Items.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Item 16, the request by the Controller's Office for payment of current bills, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR: Mr. Maddren said he had no County business today.

COUNCIL: Mr. McBlain thanked Joe Dougherty, Director of Human Services; Marianne Grace, Executive Director; and Michael Maddren, County Solicitor, for their work on Agenda Item 12, the Lease Agreement between BPG Office VI Baldwin Tower LP and the County of Delaware for office space for the staff of Children & Youth Services. This is an upgrade, not only for our employees and staff, but for the clients and children they serve.

In terms of law enforcement, he said many of us attended the Delaware County Chiefs of Police annual banquet last Friday evening when Chief Dan Ruggieri, of the Aston Police Department, was installed as the new President of the Chiefs Association.

They also attended the Fraternal Order of Police annual banquet where they recognized individuals for their bravery and performance this past year, namely Officer J.R. Cardell, of Norwood Borough Police Department and Officer Mark Hanly, of the Ridley Park Police Department. He extended congratulations to these officers.

Chairman Civera thanked everyone for coming to this morning's Council meeting and for their participation.

DISCUSSION: Herb Hazan, of Radnor Township and past-president of Radnor Board of Health, said (as far as the Board has been able to determine) this is the first Teen Health Week to be held anywhere in the United States. As was promised on Monday by one of the deputy secretaries of health for the Commonwealth of PA, this is not a one and done. He said they hope to have many more future Teen Health Weeks to come in future years.

Teen Health Week is all about enabling teens, as they get older and go through life, to manage their own health and health care. It's also about adults who have or had teenagers or work with teenagers, to provide guidance to them so that they understand what are the behaviors that lead to bad health decisions.

There being no further County business, nor public discussion, motion made by Mr. Culp to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

ANNE M. COOGAN, County Clerk