

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; and other department heads.

Chairman Civera called the regular meeting of December 13, 2017 to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by Marianne Grace, Executive Director. Danielle Gallaher, Assistant District Attorney, gave the invocation.

Chairman Civera called on Vice Chairman Morrone to start today's Agenda Items.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 4, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of December 6, 2017, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to Advertise for Bids to furnish and deliver 35 Joerns UltraCare XT Beds for the residents of Fair Acres Geriatric Center, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to Advertise for Bids for construction of handicapped lift for the Fronefield Building, 1st Floor Adult Probation Department. This request is to accommodate barrier-free needs for employees and clients. The motion was seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Central Tax Collection Department's request for refunds for the year 2017 County Real Estate Taxes for 10 property owners due to the overpayment of the amount of taxes due, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Central Tax Collection Department's request for 9 Court Ordered refunds for the years 2014-2017 for properties in the Boroughs of Darby, Eddystone, Media and Prospect Park and the Townships of Upper Darby and Upper Providence in the total amount of \$24,855.37. The motion was seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Solicitor Maddren to give the Second Reading of Proposed Ordinance 2017-2, the 2018 County Budget.

Solicitor Maddren said today is the day that was advertised for the Second Reading and Public Hearing and consideration of the 2018 Budget, Ordinance 2017-2.

This Ordinance establishes an Operating Budget for 2018 of \$354,286,000.00 and a Capital Spending Program for years 2018 through 2022 of \$151,926,000.00. That equates to a no tax increase millage for General County Purposes of 4.714 mills on each dollar of assessed valuation or the sum of \$.4714 on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation. It also

equates to a tax rate for Debt Service in the sum of .890 mills or \$.0890 on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation. The total millage is therefore 5.604 mills or \$.5604 on each one hundred dollars of assessed valuation. This Ordinance also appropriates Incoming Revenue for fiscal year 2018 for specific purposes within the Operating Budget.

Copies of this Budget have been available in the County Clerk's Office and the Budget Office.

Solicitor Maddren said it was appropriate at this time for Chairman Civera to entertain any public comment, followed by a motion and a roll-call vote.

Chairman Civera said, according to the Home Rule Charter, when a Budget is passed and this is the last reading, we ask the general public if they have any comment on the proposed budget. There was no public comment(s).

Chairman Civera recognized Councilman McBlain to comment on the budget.

Mr. McBlain highlighted some of the items in the budget that Council is very proud of.

In 2017, the County increased our Unassigned Fund Balance by an additional \$2.87 million, which brings our total Unassigned Fund Balance to \$17,829,000.00. The property assessment increased \$289,951,000.00, which is certainly a healthy thing for our local economy, generating in 2018 an additional \$1.6 million in tax revenue at the rate of 5.604 mills (which is the same rate now for 4 years).

In terms of other additional revenue items, we are looking to increase our revenue from private pay at Fair Acres by an additional \$736,000.00.

Our Federal Grants are down \$3.45 million and this is mainly due to a decrease of about \$4.2 million for Fair Acres, but an increase for our Domestic Relations Title IV-D Programs Performance Grants of an additional \$626,000.00. There is a decrease in State Grants of \$600,000.00. \$460,000.00 of that is attributed to the Juvenile Court Detention costs. That is not necessarily a bad thing that we have a decrease in those costs because that is reflected of the need to place the juveniles. Altogether there is a decrease of \$4 million in Federal and State Grants for 2018.

Our Commissions Earned are decreasing by about \$78,000.00 overall. Most of that is attributable to a decrease of about \$110,000.00 in DUI related earnings. Once again, like our Juvenile Court Detention grant, that is not necessarily a bad thing, that means there is less DUI cases in our system. So, hopefully the efforts that have been made nationwide, statewide and countrywide level to decrease DUI have had some affect.

There is a decrease of about \$300,000.00 in Gaming Funds that we expect to receive in 2018.

On the Expense side, Fair Acres constitutes about 25% of our total General Fund Budget and spending there is up a very modest \$240,000.00. Our Court spending has been reduced by \$626,000.00 and much of that is due to the offset for the Juvenile Detention costs.

Once again, we congratulate President Judge Kelly and our judges on the way they have been able to hold the line in their budgets these past several years.

For Criminal Justice, we have an increase in spending of about \$1.65 million. The total cost of Administration of Justice, which is both our courts and the criminal justice system, constitutes about 40% of our total budget.

Our contribution to SEPTA is up \$270,000.00. The Department of Parks & Recreation remain static as well as our Election Bureau, Tax Administration and Financial Management. We congratulate those departments once again for holding the line.

For our General Government line, which includes most of the departments that you might see in and around the Courthouse and Government Center Complex, they constitute about \$20 million overall in the budget (about 5% of all spending). That is increasing in 2018 by only \$253,000.00. Our General Government constitutes 22 different departments, so for 2018, 9 had very slight increases and 13 of those 22 departments either had decreases in spending or remain the same. Congratulations to all those department heads that were able (once again) to hold the line.

In 2018, our Debt Service will decrease by \$138,000.00. We also expect our Employee Fringe Benefits to decrease in 2018 by \$587,000.00 and that is mainly due to changes that we were able to make in 2017 associated with the administration of the Drug Plan to save that. In addition, our insurance costs decreased by \$250,000.00.

Mr. McBlain said he believes these are the highlights from the budget that he wanted to point out publicly. He thanked Executive Director Grace, Budget Director Hayes and members of the budget department (Jim Hackett and Sue DePompeo), as well as all the employees of the County of Delaware. The department heads have a direct involvement in the preparation of the budget, but really we get to come here today and have a fourth no tax increase budget because of the hard work by the employees out there doing their jobs every single day. Most of his thanks he wanted to extend to them.

Chairman Civera thanked Councilman McBlain for his comments. He wanted to point out once again that this is the fourth year in a row with no tax increase. Two years ago when the county went out for bonds and to borrow money, Standard and Poor's and Moody's gave the county an excellent rating. This was at the time when the Commonwealth of PA was struggling with their budgets and Washington DC was struggling with their budget.

Chairman Civera asked for a motion for the approval of Budget Ordinance 2017-2. Motion was made by Mr. McBlain to adopt Ordinance 2017-2, the 2018 County Budget, seconded by Mr. White. A roll-call vote was taken by Solicitor Maddren with the following votes registered: Mr. Culp/yes, Mr. White/yes, Mr. McBlain/yes, Mrs. Morrone/yes and Chairman Civera/yes. Ordinance 2017-2 was adopted unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Adam Matlawski, of the Delaware County Authority, to speak on Agenda Items 10 and 11.

On behalf of the Delaware County Authority, Mr. Matlawski requested the approval of Resolution 2017-13, the financing by the Delaware County Authority for the benefit of Riddle Village in the amount of \$60,000,000.00. This does not pledge any County funds with the approval of this Resolution.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Resolution 2017-13, approving the financing by the Delaware County Authority of a Project for Riddle Village in an amount not to exceed \$60,000,000.00 and declaring that it is desirable for the health, safety and welfare of the people in the areas to be served by the facilities of Riddle Village to have facilities that are part of the project financed through the Authority. The motion was seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Mr. Matlawski requested the approval of Item 11, Resolution 2017-4, authorizing the issuance by the Delaware County Authority of up to \$22,000,000.00 aggregate principal amount of Revenue Bonds, Series of 2017, for the Elwyn Project. The approval of this Resolution does not pledge any County funds with the approval of this Resolution.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Resolution 2017-14 authorizing the issuance by the Delaware County Authority of up to \$22,000,000.00 aggregate principal amount of Revenue Bonds (Elwyn Project), Series of 2017, and declaring that it is desirable for the health, safety and welfare of the people in the area to be served by the facilities of the obligated group to have such facilities financed through the Authority. The motion was seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Resolution 2017-15, approving applications to PennDOT to unencumber Liquid Fuels Tax Fund (LFTF) monies for 2011 based on project specific costs. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Resolution 2017-16 to encumber 2017 Liquid Fuels Fund as per the attached list, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Linda Hill, Director of Planning/OHCD, to speak on Agenda Item 14.

Mrs. Hill asked for Council's approval to adopt the Delaware County Transportation Plan, a component of the Delaware County Comprehensive Plan. This document presents a unified vision of the transportation infrastructure and outlines measures to create connections to the movement of people and good throughout the county and the region through 2035. The Plan will help our municipalities to implement objectives designed to improve the quality of life for the residents.

Mrs. Hill acknowledged the planners that worked for the last year or so on this Plan, namely Tom Shaffer and Dan Wayland. Thanks for your efforts. She also thanked the Steering Committee members, our partners at SEPTA and DVRPC that contributed their time and expertise to this Plan.

She thanked Chairman Civera and Council members for their continued support for moving the County's Land Use Planning efforts forward.

Chairman Civera asked Solicitor Maddren if it is appropriate at this time to have a Public Hearing based on Agenda Item 14. Solicitor Maddren said it was. There was no Public comment(s).

Mr. McBlain thanked Mrs. Hill and our Planning Department, Tom Shaffer and the rest of the staff who have done a terrific job on the Transportation Plan. As Linda described, we are in the process of updating our Comprehensive Plan for 2035. Council has already adopted several components of that having to do with Land Use, Open Space, Parks and Recreation and Economic Development. We have more components to come over the next several months in 2018. We are very proud of what we have been able to accomplish through our transportation planning. He is proud to be a member of the Delaware Valley Regional Planning Commission.

Part of the reason we had to increase our budget for SEPTA is because there are so many projects planned for Delaware County and we are contributing towards that. There has been a lot of hard work. He just wanted to acknowledge all the work that has gone into this over the past 18 months to develop the Transportation Plan.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to adopt the Delaware County Transportation Plan, a component of the Delaware County Comprehensive Plan – Delaware County 2035. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving the Lease Renewal between the County of Delaware and Ridley Township for 1,390 square feet of property, located at 100 MacDade Boulevard, Folsom, PA for use as District Court 32-2-30. The term of the lease will be four (4) years with the Township receiving twenty-six dollars (\$26.00) per square foot for the first year of the term with a one-dollar (\$1.00) per square foot increase for years 2 and 3. 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 Service and Support Agreement with MTS Software Solutions at a cost of \$122,159.49 for the period of one (1) year from January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to renew the Professional Services Agreement between the County of Delaware and Pamela Fritzsche for the IT Department based on approximately 20 hours per week and not to exceed \$45,900.00 for the one (1) year period January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018. The motion was seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 18, the annual Software License and Support Agreement with the Hart InterCivic System that is utilized to design, print and scan absentee ballots for the period of 12/31/2017 through 12/30/2018 at the total cost of \$26,000.00. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving the Radio Maintenance Agreement between the County of Delaware and Radio Communications Services, Inc. for the period August 1, 2018 through July 31, 2023 in the annual amount of \$1,453,944.00. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to renew the Service Maintenance Agreement for Simplex Grinnell for Fire Alarm Testing and 24 hr./7-day Emergency Service at Fair Acres Geriatric Center for a period of five (5) years from 1/1/2018 through 12/31/2022 at the cost of \$62,957.00 per year on State Contract No. 4400013746. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving the attached form of County Officer and Employee Bonds for 2018 and setting the amounts as per the attached list. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 22 to issue a Grant in the amount of \$35,000.00 to the Animal Protection Board and to accept assignment of its receivables. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving the upgrade to the existing Klensoid System to comply with the new requirements of ASHRAE 188 as directed by CMS, on State Contract No. 4400011531, at a total cost of \$226,180.00. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving a 5-year Lease for the Chester City PA CareerLink, located at 701 Crosby Street, Chester, PA in the amount of \$16,350.00 per month with a CPI

increase in three (3) years for the period 1/1/2018 through 12/31/2022. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving a Grant in the amount of \$28,450.00 to the Parkside Borough Police Department for a 2018 Ford Police Utility 4x4 truck utilizing Restricted Gaming funds. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 26 to renew the contract between the County of Delaware and Judicial Management Services, LLC for electronic monitoring services for a one (1) year period of December 1, 2017 through November 30, 2018 in an amount not to exceed \$40,000.00. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on John Daly, Director of the Office of Workforce Development, to speak on Agenda Item 27.

Mr. Daly asked for the approval of one contract for the Office of Workforce Development. There are no County funds utilized with the approval of this item.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agreements, Contracts and Amendments with the Office of Workforce Development as per the attached list. 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 28.

Mr. Dougherty asked for the approval of nine (9) Agreements/Contracts with the Office of Human Services as per the attached list.

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

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to reappoint Frank J. McKee, of Springfield Township, as a Public Director to the Delaware County Conservation District Board for a term ending December 31, 2021, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to appoint Ryan T. Judge, of Concord Township, as a Public Director to the Delaware County Conservation District Board for a term ending December 31, 2021, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to reappoint the following individuals to the Delaware County Brandywine Convention & Visitor’s Bureau Board:

Stephanie Kosta	Marple Township	December 2019
Mary Sandone	Darby Township	December 2020

The motion was seconded by Mr. White and carried with an abstention vote registered by Mr. McBlain.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to appoint and reappoint the following individuals to the Delaware County Workforce Development Board with a term ending December 2020:

William Adams	Michael Brady
Dominic Capelli	Edward Coleman
Albert A. Danish	Brenda Dawson
Laura Kasper	J. Patrick Killian
Karen P. Kozachyn	Patricia McFarland
Kate McGeever	Eileen Nelson
Linda Robson	William J. Santora
Robert Simpson	John Unangst

The motion was seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving the request by the Controller’s Office for payment of current bills, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried with an abstention vote registered by Mrs. Morrone.

SOLICITOR: Mr. Maddren asked for Council’s authorization to file four (4) Petitions for the Voluntary/Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights with the Orphans Court.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to file four (4) Petitions for the Voluntary/Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights with the Orphans Court, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: Terry Boyle, of the Manoa Section of Havertown, Delaware County said he’s been victimized and mistreated and has grievances and would like to have a meeting arranged between he and District Attorney Jack Whelan to address some of his concerns.

Marianne Grace wanted to thank everyone who has come today. As is our tradition here in Delaware County when our chairman is finishing his term of office, that a number of our department heads come together to wish him well.

She thanked the department heads and other employees who have come today to wish Chairman Civera and Councilman White best wishes. She also wanted to share some of her thoughts about Chairman Civera and Councilman White.

Mrs. Grace said she has been in the position as Executive Director for some time. So, she has had the pleasure, a God given pleasure, to be able to work with a number of different County Council people. Every one of them have been a pleasure to work with, whether man or woman, they have had the interest of the citizens of our County at heart. Each one has worked diligently every day, 24/7. She commended them for the work they have done.

As a resident of Upper Darby Township, it has been such an honor for her to serve with Mario Civera as a councilman and now as chairman. She has gotten to see a person, just as you all have seen today, who listens. He listens to his constituents and the public and anything he can do he will do. If he is not able to do it, he will tell you so that you know you have gotten a straight forward answer from him and you have had his complete attention. That is something that we as citizens, those of us who are dependent on our elected officials, we value so much.

As you know, this is Dave White's last meeting as well. Dave has been the consummate Council member. She has not seen anyone work as hard in public and behind the scenes as Dave has. Dave has always had the interest of the citizens at heart and there has been many times when something has come to our attention, where someone in our community is suffering. Dave, in his own personal ability, has come to the fore and helped those individuals doing it anonymously, doing it quietly, but insuring that the individual who is suffering has what they need. He has a wonderful family, as Mario does. He is blessed with that and he knows to share the goodness that he has – he shares with the whole community. He does that every day in his work.

Mrs. Grace said she is sorry to see them go, but she knows we have a bright future ahead of us here in Delaware County.

Jack Whelan said this is a great opportunity to be here today. He has been proud and certainly honored to serve the residents of Delaware County as the District Attorney over the last six years, even though he cannot make everyone happy all the time.

Certainly, he wanted to take this opportunity to thank County Council and to say to them that we in the District Attorney's Office have achieved many successes over the years. He truly believes those successes are a result of the partnership between the Office of the District Attorney and Delaware County Council.

A particular issue stands out in his mind and that is when Mario Civera came forward after the incident at Sandy Hook, getting Council together, as well as the District Attorney and CID Chief Ryan, and sitting at the Intermediate Unit trying to come up with a plan as to how we can make

our schools safer. Today, every single school in Delaware County and probably the only school system in the United States that has a Panic Button that goes directly to the 911 Center. When that button is pushed, every police department in that region responds and it also acts as a listening device so that we can hear what is going on in that classroom and try to send the appropriate response.

D.A. Whelan came to County Council and together they formulated the Delaware County Heroin Task Force. Over the years, different Council members served in the capacity of co-chair of the Task Force as well as having an involvement with that Task Force. Many of the people in this room today know the great accomplishments of the Task Force such as the Drop Boxes in every police station and the educational programs. Over 30,000 children have been educated as well as parents as to the dangers of opioid medications and how it leads to heroin addiction. Most importantly, we came together to provide every police department in Delaware County with the life-saving drug Naloxone. Today, every police vehicle in the county carries this drug. As of today, he is happy to report that 976 lives have been saved here in Delaware County as a result of the partnership and dedication of County Council with our police departments and the Office of the District Attorney.

Lastly, D.A. Whelan said in the past it was the outgoing members of Council who have been part of the Heroin Task Force that he had the opportunity to present a gift to. Today, because he is departing as the District Attorney, he wanted to give each Council member a token of the Task Force's appreciation and dedication and because of the difference they have made here in Delaware County. Thank you Chairman Civera and Dave White for your years of dedication to the Heroin Task Force, especially over the last year with all the seminars educating the public on the dangers of opioid medications.

Chairman Civera said when he came onto County Council eight years ago, Jack Whelan was the Chairman of County Council. Jack is an outstanding gentleman, a very sincere man and what he believes in he does. He doesn't do anything that would embarrass the position or embarrass the County. What you see is what you get with Jack and we are proud of him. As elected officials today, you need to look at all of that.

COUNCIL: Mr. McBlain said you won't find a finer and more generous individual than Dave White. As Jack Whelan pointed out, a signature issue and something that epitomizes Dave is the fact of what he was able to do with the Heroin Task Force. Dave saw the problem that was here in Delaware County. We can talk about a lot of problems that we have had such as the refineries, economic development problems, Fair Acres funding, 911 funding, all those things lessen in comparison to the public health problems we have with over 200 of our residents dying every year because of the scourge. Dave recognized that early on and said, "this is the issue that we have to address." He hasn't stopped and I know he will continue to work on that, whether in office or out of office.

Mr. McBlain said he is very proud to say “thank you Dave” for your time on County Council. If you have ever seen Dave’s office, it is very spartan, so he believes the presentation of a photo board of some of the highlights of his time on Council will be a nice addition. Dave is also going to be a grandfather and although he is usually in a suit and tie, he was presented with a Gramps T-shirt.

Mr. Culp said he wanted to say something about Dave. He struggled with this, since Dave is so mild mannered and meek, what can I say about him? I just wish he was more persistent and tenacious in the meetings. But in all honesty, he is the most tenacious fighter if he is an advocate for you and a great friend who will be missed. Dave is a very generous person. You don’t realize the Veterans Associations, the Little Leagues and stuff that he donates, not only his money but his time. That is valuable. It is the County’s loss but his family’s gain.

Mrs. Morrone said Dave’s commitment and service to Delaware County is truly unmatched. She thinks at every turn and every obstacle he stepped up to the challenge helping children, helping veterans, helping groups throughout the county, catholic choir and children’s cancer issues. Everywhere there was a problem or an issues, Dave was there to help.

Dave has been committed to the heroin epidemic in the county. District Attorney Whelan and Dave have led that effort and she believes they have taken Delaware County to the next level by allowing us to get help to save lives and to really help step in and make a big impact on this issue.

Mrs. Morrone said she has enjoyed working with Dave and will miss him very much. Best wishes to him and his family.

Chairman Civera said he had the distinct pleasure of working with Dave White and getting to know him and his family. Everything that was said here this morning is true.

He will never forget a phone call he received one summer morning on a weekend with a person saying that a family in Darby had lost their home in a fire and they needed someone to step up to the plate to help with some money and ask who might be able to help. He suggested they contact Dave White (but not to say he had suggested his help). The call was made to Dave and he was there. Dave helped this family to secure a place for the night. Wherever he can help, he is there. He’s a good business person and a go getter.

Chairman Civera said Dave was a former Ridley Township Commissioner, starting at the grassroots by helping people. He said politicians have one criteria to follow and that is you have to have the patience to listen and Dave definitely had the patience to listen. Not only did he have the patience, he wanted to help.

Bob Willert, President of the Ridley Township Board of Commissioners, thanked Dave for his time on County Council and for his service to Delaware County.

Mr. White thanked everyone who came out today. It's been a great journey and has made some good friends along the way starting with serving on the Ridley Township Board of Commissioners in the 1990's. He said the unsung heroes of Delaware County are the employees who do the work and serve all the residents of the county; they do it in a way that makes everyone proud. He thanked the directors and all the county employees, who have made his six years on County Council very enjoyable.

Mr. White said he is proud of all Council's accomplishments, such as the Heroin Task Force, no tax increase, a balanced budget, job growth and working together in a bi-partisan effort to save the refineries.

He said working on the Heroin Task Force was near and dear to his heart. There were many times people would come up to him and thank the county for what they have done. We did save lives on the Task Force. He doesn't believe there is any more important job than what the Task Force has done and will continue to do.

He wished District Attorney Whelan much success as he moves into the role as Delaware County Judge.

Mr. White said it has been a great honor to serve Delaware County. He also wished Brian Zidek and Kevin Madden, the newly elected County Council members, well next year. You will work with the current Council members, who are excellent people. He can assure them that each member of Council has served the residents of Delaware County to the best of their abilities. He offered his service to the incoming council members, if needed; it's only a phone call away.

Mrs. Morrone said they now want to recognize Chairman Civera. For forty-three years, Chairman Civera has served the residents of Delaware County. Starting with Upper Darby, he served from 1974-1980 on the Board of Commissioners. In 1980, he was elected to the House of Representatives for the 164th District where he served for 30 years until 2010 when Mario joined Delaware County Council. Today, Mario ends 8 years on County Council. He has served the last 3 years as Chairman.

When Mario began on County Council back in 2010, we were in the throes of major economic down turn. He was instrumental in these first years as the County worked on initiatives to stretch resources and to provide services for our residents. These were tough economic times but it led to cautious optimism as the County began its focusing on efforts on our local economic development strategy and the promotion of Delaware County through the Convention & Visitors Association and the rebranding campaign "Destination Delco."

He also worked promoting our businesses through the economic development and the Commerce department which launched the "Edge" Campaign. Delaware County has the edge in our location, our workforce, innovation, education and the quality of life.

Thousands of jobs were created through Chairman Civera's time on Delaware County Council, small businesses and large businesses alike such as EMD Chemicals (Tinicum) SAP (Newtown Square), Monroe Energy (Trainer), Braskem America (Marcus Hook), major retail development projects in Haverford, Concord, Upper Darby and Newtown Square, Exalted Coding (Concord), Federal Express Transportation facility, Alloy Services (Chester Township), Eddystone Rail Project. These are some of the major employers who came to Delaware County in the eight years that Mario Civera headed up Council.

We also welcomed some special visitors in Delaware County, but she is not sure if Chairman Civera ever got to meet any of these famous visitors. We had Robert De Niro, Bradley Cooper filming the Silver Lining Playbook, Tiger Woods played the AT&T National at Aronimink, Will Smith filmed After Earth, Harrison Ford filmed Paranoia and David Beckham played on the MLS All-Star Soccer Team at PPL Park just to name a few.

One of Mario's most rewarding things on County Council was serving on the Planning Committee of the World Meeting of Families and welcoming Pope Francis to the Philadelphia area.

Another focus of Chairman Civera was his support of veterans. Having served in the U.S. Air Force, Mario always supported and looked for ways to recognize our veterans. Through forming the Veterans Treatment Court, expanding services and veteran's affairs, recognizing our current military through the Tribute Board and sending Girl Scout Cookies and holiday greetings to our troops overseas. These are just some of the things that Mario did while he was Chairman of County Council.

He also served through some very interesting times. We had two major refineries that looked to close in our region and we worked to get those jobs and he led the way.

We had a couple of soaking storms. Hurricane Sandy came through and we had our 911 responses to that and another major storm that came through that knocked out power for several weeks for some of our area with many trees down.

Five years ago today, we had the Sandy Hook Elementary School tragedy, in Connecticut, which led to Delaware County working with D.A. Whelan in the installation of the Panic Button Alarm System in our Delaware County schools. Also working with the District Attorney, the heroin epidemic and the creation of the Task Force and the lifesaving Narcan that has been distributed to our emergency responders to be able to save lives.

We have also had growth in our parks and recreation, our trails and open space with the purchase of Little Flower, contributing to Beaver Valley, the Chester Creek Rail Trail, the Darby Creek Rail Trail and many other projects that underway in Delaware County.

Mrs. Morrone further said Mario used his resilience and hardworking ethics and commitment to make sure that he reached out to the residents of the county each and every day and in each and every aspect that he could. His service will be forever etched in the history of Delaware County.

On behalf of all members on County Council, Mrs. Morrone said they want to thank Mario for his services to the residents of Delaware County and for his leadership and friendship. They wish him all the best, all the happiness and some relaxation as he retires from County Council.

County Council presented Mario with several going away gifts.

Mr. Culp said he learned a lot from Mario through his leadership. His dedication to the Delaware County residents is unsurpassed whether he did it on County Council or in the Legislature. We are going to miss him. Congrats, good luck and enjoy your family.

Mr. White said it has been an absolute pleasure serving with him on County Council. We didn't always agree, but everything that was done has been for the residents. Those 40 years have been filled with so many accomplishments (too many to even count). He should be so proud. He knows that Donna (his wife) is proud of him and Delaware County as a whole is proud of all his service. He has gotten to know Mario over the last six years and just in those six years Mario's dedication to the Delaware County residents, employees and directors is just incredible. Mario took this job seriously and it showed. Congratulations on your retirement. You have earned it and earned the respect of all the residents of the county. Sometimes politicians cannot leave on the highest note – you are on the highest note. You did it with grace and dignity.

Mr. McBlain said, as Chairman Civera knows, he is usually very well scripted, has the gift of the Irish blarney and he comes very prepared, but he has found it very difficult to put together the words for this occasion. He certainly wants to say "thank you" and to say how proud we are of the work Mario has done. He can think of only a few individuals in public service that perhaps have had the impact on Delaware County as he has had over his career in public service – the Upper Darby Council, in the State House and here on Delaware County Council. That was readily apparent and on display anytime Council did a public appearance or marched in a parade – it was MARIO! MARIO! People yelling from the sidelines. It was well-deserved. There is that old phrase, "somebody can walk with kings but still have the touch of the common man." No one exemplifies that more than Mario.

Mr. McBlain further said Mario's worked toward a solution of the stray animal problem here in the county after the SPCA became a no-kill shelter. It was something of a hallmark and was not

something that anybody was legally obligated to do, but he jumped in with both feet and helped to solve the problem.

Another time was in 2016 when a young police officer from Folcroft Borough was shot many times. Council got that call and they went out to the 911 Center to hear what was going on. The worst part was when our new modern state-of-the-art computer system that had just been installed at the Center had a computer glitch that prevented radio transmissions to and from that officer for a period of three minutes which was critical. That day and through the next several months, Mario being the council member that oversaw that department, put himself out there every day, made himself an office out there and from beginning to end in a very transparent process dealing with the FOP and our police chiefs and the public.

Mario wanted to make sure that problem was solved because nothing was more important to him than that officer and the future public safety for those cops. That is something Mario did, all behind the scenes and he did it until the job was finished.

Those two things exemplify Mario's character, his passion for everybody here in the county, Upper Darby and his commitment to public service. Congratulations for a job well done.

To all his colleagues, Chairman Civera said he cannot thank them enough from the bottom of his heart. It was great serving with them. When he said goodbye in Harrisburg, it was also a very emotional time. You make friends and kind of like all live together, yell at one another, laugh at one another and at the end of the day we are a family. That's the way it's supposed to be. Public service sometimes is a lot of gratification but there is also a lot of hard work when sometimes you have to pull away from your family because you need to do what you have to do.

Chairman Civera gave a short synopsis about his 43 years. In 1974, he was a barber in Upper Darby in his father's barbershop. He was involved with the 69th Street AA and there was a gentleman who came in to see him and asked him if he would be interested in public office. He wanted to introduce him to a man, who he will never forget and is no longer with us – John McNichol, and he believed in what he saw in him because he was cutting hair, humble and able to listen to people and from that day forward it became his life. If he had to come back on earth again and to redo it again, he'd do the same thing. Nothing would be different. That's how much he enjoyed politics and helping people. You need to have patience and to listen. So, the 43 years he has served in public office has been most gratifying. The bottom line is it's all about the people of the county to help make a better life.

Lastly, he wished Brian Zidek and Kevin Madden the best. Listen to what we said here today. It's not always about Republican and Democrat; it's always about the people. Anytime you need anything or just need to talk, he will be happy to sit down and talk with them. Best of luck.

Mr. Culp wished Ed O'Lone all the best. Thank you for your service. We are going to miss Sheriff Mary McFall Hopper and thank you for everything you did for Delaware County. He is going to miss District Attorney Jack Whelan but thankfully he will still be here serving the County (as newly appointed Judge). Merry Christmas to everyone and have happy holidays and a happy New Year. Lastly, thanks to all the County employees who do a tremendous job.

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

BONDS

Council	\$ 10,000.00
Executive Director	\$ 5,000.00
County Clerk	\$ 25,000.00
Register of Wills	\$ 50,000.00 (State and County)
Controller	\$ 50,000.00
Sheriff	\$ 60,000.00
Treasurer	\$ 100,000.00 (State)
	\$ 500,000.00 (County)
Treasurer/Tax Collector	\$ 25,000.00
Director, Office of Judicial Support	\$ 25,000.00
Medical Examiner	\$ 25,000.00
Recorder of Deeds	\$ 25,000.00

Bond No. _____

FIDELITY AND DEPOSIT COMPANY OF MARYLAND
Home Office: 600 Red Brook Boulevard, Owings Mills, MD 21117

Application for Public Official Bond

1. Name of Applicant _____ Telephone Number: _____
2. Address _____ Zip Code: _____
3. Social Security or Tax ID Number _____
4. Business/Occupation _____ Started _____
5. To whom is bond given (Obligee) _____ Amount of Bond _____
6. Address of Obligee: _____
7. Position/Title: _____ Appointed or Elected _____
8. Have you previously held this or any other public official position, and if so, what position and for what term? _____
9. Do you handle/withdraw funds or write checks? Yes _____ No _____
Is countersignature required? _____ Yes ___ No By whom? _____
Limit on check signing authority _____
10. Who audits books and how often? _____
11. Who reconciles bank statements? _____

The undersigned hereby represents that the statements made herein as an inducement to the Fidelity and Deposit Company of Maryland, hereinafter called Company, its successors and assigns, to execute the bond applied for herein are true, and should the Company execute said bond and any renewals, continuations, extensions or increases thereof, hereby agrees as follows: **FIRST:** To pay the Company in advance the premium for the first year and to pay in advance any renewal or additional premium, which are provided for by Company rates until the Company is provided with evidence it is released from all liability on said bond; **SECOND:** to indemnify the Company against all loss, liability, costs, damages, attorney's fees and any other expenses which the Company might incur or sustain by reason of executing said bond, making an investigation on account thereof, in prosecuting or defending an action thereon, in obtaining a release therefrom, and enforcing this Agreement; **THIRD:** the Company shall have the right and is authorized, but not required to adjust, settle or compromise any claim, demand, suit or judgment upon said bond, unless the undersigned shall request the Company to litigate such demand or claim or defend such suit or appeal from such judgment, and shall deposit with the Company collateral satisfactory to it in kind and amount; **FOURTH:** that in the event of payment, settlement, or compromise, in good faith, made as indicated herein, an itemized statement thereof, sworn to by any officer of the Company or the vouchers or other evidence of payment shall be *prima facie* evidence of the fact and extent of liability of the undersigned in any claim or suit thereunder; **FIFTH:** the Company shall have the absolute right to cancel the bond pursuant to a cancellation clause in the bond or procure its release from said bond under any law governing same and the Company is hereby released from any damage that might be sustained by reason of such cancellation or release; **SIXTH:** this obligation shall be for the benefit of any company or companies which assume reinsurance on such bond; **SEVENTH:** if the bond herein applied for is on behalf of two or more principals, then it is agreed and understood that the indemnity shall apply and by binding upon the undersigned, regardless of whether the undersigned or any one or more of them, is by judicial decree or otherwise freed of liability in the cause in which the bond herein applied for is required; **EIGHTH:** this agreement shall be binding upon the undersigned and each of them whether signing as an applicant or indemnitor, jointly and severally, and upon their heirs, administrators, executors, successors and assigns, and shall be liberally construed against the undersigned.

Signed, sealed and dated this _____ day of _____.

INDIVIDUAL sign here:

Witness: _____

Council Meeting: December 13, 2017

**DELAWARE COUNTY WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT BOARD
AGREEMENTS, CONTRACTS
& AMENDMENT TO CONTRACTS**

Contract Number	Name of Provider	Type of Service	Term of Contract/Agreement	Proposed Contract/Agreement Amount
LCCC.ITA.17	Lehigh Carbon Community College	Individual Training Course	July 1, 2017-June 30, 2022	Not to exceed \$5,000.00 per participant

**HUMAN SERVICES AGREEMENTS, CONTRACTS
& AMENDMENTS TO CONTRACTS**

<u>Name of Provider</u>	<u>Type of Service</u>	<u>Term of Contract/ Agreement</u>	<u>Current Contract/ Agreement Amount</u>	<u>Proposed Contract/ Agreement Amount</u>
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania	Management of the HealthChoices Program	1/1/12-12/31/19 (amendment)	N/A	N/A
Voice and Vision, Inc.	Adult/Children Satisfaction Surveys	12/1/17-6/30/18 (amendment)	\$80,000	\$273,148
Mingis, Gutowski & Company	Engagement Proposal for Audit Services for HealthChoices Behavioral Health Program	Year 2017	N/A	\$77,250
Lenape Valley Foundation	Enhanced Community Residential Service	12/1/17-6/30/18	N/A	\$136,845
Material Vision, LLC	Maintenance/Upgrades for DHS SAP System	12/1/17-6/30/18	N/A	\$44,800
Allearn Academy Inc	Subsidized Day Care	11/1/17-*	N/A	N/A
Denise Prestileo	Subsidized Day Care	11/1/17-*	N/A	N/A
Dawn Herbert	Subsidized Day Care	11/1/17-*	N/A	N/A
SHC Early Learning Academy Inc	Subsidized Day Care	7/1/17-*	N/A	N/A

*Either party may terminate this Agreement in accordance with Article IV of this Agreement.