

**PRESENT:** Mario J. Civera, Jr., Chairman; Colleen P. Morrone, Vice Chairman; John P. McBlain, Council Member; David J. White, 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 August 2, 2017 to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag. Brianna Barrett, of the Public Relations Department, gave the invocation.

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

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 19, 2017, seconded by Mr. McBlain 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 9 property owners due to the overpayment of the amount of taxes due, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to solicit a request for qualifications for Architectural/Engineering Services for the stabilization of the Woodbourne Mansion, located on the Little Flower Manor property, Darby Borough. (CDBG Funds) The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving a Grant in the amount of \$30,000.00 to Eddystone Police Department to fund the purchase of a vehicle and the installation of emergency accessories. (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 Microsoft Contract between Fair Acres Geriatric Center and CDWG in the amount of \$420,108.00 for a period of three (3) years at a cost of \$140,036.00 per year, on COSTARS Contract No. 006-064, to access email and Microsoft Office from the Cloud. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone to renew the Tower Lease Agreement between the County of Delaware and American Tower for access to their Eddystone Tower for a five (5) year period commencing on May 1, 2017 at a rate of \$8,008.25 per month. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Denise Stewart, Director of the Office of Services for the Aging, to speak on Agenda Item 10.

Mrs. Stewart asked for Council's approval of the Title 19 Medicaid Waiver Grant that was submitted, which is used for assessments of our nursing home and life program, as well as the

Pre-Admission Screening and Resident Review (PASRR) and the Aging Disability Resource Centers. This is funding that comes directly from the state.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving an Agreement between the County of Delaware and the PA Department of Aging and the PA Department of Human Services to develop and administer a system of preadmission assessments for the period 7/1/17 through 6/30/18 and an amendment of the same agreement for the period 7/1/16 through 6/30/17 documenting the rates used for payments during that period. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Jonna DiStefano, Administrator of Office of Behavioral Health, to speak on Agenda Item 11.

Ms. DiStefano asked for Council's approval to apply for a SAMHSA Grant (Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services) which is specifically designed to benefit our homeless population and two grants for the Continuum of Care Programs that also benefits our homeless population.

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. White and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 12 to appoint Karen Standen, of Marple Township, to the Delaware County Library Board to replace Victoria Gerstenfeld to a term ending October 2017, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Mr. White to speak on Agenda Item 13, a Resolution recognizing Chester Township Police Captain Laura Dixon Hartshorn.

Each year, Mr. White said an elite group of law enforcement officers are selected to train in a rigorous 10-week program known as the National FBI Academy.

Delaware County is proud that one of our very own leaders in law enforcement, Chester Township Police Captain Laura Dixon Hartshorn, who made history by becoming the first female law enforcement officer from Delaware County to graduate from the academy this year.

Based in Quantico, Virginia, the FBI National Academy is a rigorous and selective program that consists of the top leaders in law enforcement from across the country. Officers take courses in law, behavioral science, law enforcement communication, forensic science, intelligence theory, terrorism, management science and health and fitness. They are also tested physically.

In order to graduate, officers are required to complete a grueling obstacle course built by U.S. Marines that runs through the campus. The fitness class is culminated with what is known as the "Yellow Brick Road", a 6-mile course requiring participants to climb walls, run through water,

crawl under barbed wire and maneuver across a cargo net. When developing the course, the Marines placed yellow bricks to guide runner along the grueling trail through woods and difficult terrain.

Only the best of the best are selected to be in the academy. Fewer than one percent of police officers are selected to attend the academy and from that one percent, less than ten percent, are women. Captain Hartshorn was among the 228 graduates of this year's 268<sup>th</sup> class which consisted of men and women from 47 states and 24 international countries.

With over two decades of service in law enforcement, Captain Hartshorn began her career as a patrol officer with Chester Township Police Department in 1996. Over the years, she was promoted to Corporal and then to her current position as Captain of Police in January 2014. She is a graduate of Wilmington College where she received her degree in criminal justice. She also earned her master's degree from Saint Joseph's University.

County Council is honored to have Captain Hartshorn with us today. She is joined by her husband Walter Hartshorn and Chester Township Police Chief Kenneth Coalson. Also, attending this morning's meeting was District Attorney Jack Whelan.

D.A. Whelan said it is his pleasure to be here today to honor Laura, who he has known for many years. She has done a tremendous job over the years and has risen to the rank as Captain in the Chester Township Police Department. It does not surprise him that she was easily able to complete the FBI Police Academy.

Laura has participated in the Law Enforcement Run for many years, which is from Philadelphia to Washington. She runs with a contingency of law enforcement officers for the Law Enforcement Memorial in Washington, D.C.

D.A. Whelan further said you would probably know Laura because she posed for a poster that is currently used throughout Delaware County to prohibit illegal guns and to bring attention and public awareness to the fact that if you are purchasing a gun for a convicted felon you can spend 5-10 years in the state penitentiary. She was a big part of helping to spread that anti-violence message.

On behalf of the District Attorney's Office and law enforcement across Delaware County, D.A. Whelan said he wanted to personally congratulate Laura for all of her efforts.

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

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

**SOLICITOR:** Mr. Maddren asked for Council's authorization to file one (1) Petition for the Voluntary/Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights and one (1) Petition for the Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights with the Orphans Court.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to file one (1) Petition for the Voluntary/Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights and one (1) Petition for the Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights with the Orphans Court, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Laura Hartshorn, of Chester Township, said it is such an honor to her to be recognized by County Council for her accomplishments. She thanked those who were instrumental in helping her with this milestone. Chester Township Chief of Police Coalson was instrumental in guiding her through the process. Her husband was very supportive while she was gone for three months to go through that process. It was the pinnacle of her law enforcement career and she wanted to extend her thanks to everyone involved.

**COUNCIL:** Mr. White thanked Captain Hartshorn for her service to the residents of Chester Township as well as Delaware County. It is an incredible accomplishment. Keep up the great work!

Mr. McBlain echoed Mr. White's comments and congratulated Captain Hartshorn. He recently had the privilege of speaking at the Delaware County Police Academy graduation. There were so many female cadets and officers there and maybe Laura was the trailblazer for women in Delaware County. He suspects that there will be a lot more that will follow behind her.

He also wanted to point out a project we had on the Agenda this morning, specifically moving forward with our newest County park in the Borough of Darby and the Township of Upper Darby with the architect to the Woodbourne Mansion. Also, at our last Council Meeting (July 19), there was the approval of Phase 2 of the Chester Creek Trail. Also, at the DVRPC meeting last week, they approved some additional funding for the Darby Creek Trail, which is well underway towards construction. They are on track to have that opened by the fall. We are in full-swing with the development of our parks and trail projects and the implementation of our Open Space Parks and Recreation Plan.

Mrs. Morrone extended her congratulations to Captain Hartshorn. She cannot think of a better female to represent us in the 268<sup>th</sup> Class and hopes she is the first of many more here in Delaware County.

Chairman Civera congratulated Captain Hartshorn and to the Chester Township Police Department. In today's times, law enforcement is very challenging as everyone knows. We, as public officials, salute what you do on a daily basis and the protection you provide to the public. We cannot thank you enough.

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

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ANNE M. COOGAN, County Clerk

RECORDED BY: N. J. Scallan

**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>
Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA)	Application for the Grants for the Benefit of Homeless Individuals (GBHI)	9/30/17-9/29/22 (five years)	N/A	N/A
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)	Continuum of Care Program (CoC)	10/1/17-9/30/18	N/A	\$149,760
U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)	Continuum of Care Program (CoC)	10/1/17-9/30/18 (amendment)	\$1,532,079	\$1,681,839