

**PRESENT:** John P. McBlain, Chairman; Colleen P. Morrone, Vice Chairman; Michael F. Culp, Council Member; Kevin M. Madden, Council Member; Brian P. Zidek, Council Member; Joanne Phillips, Controller; Marianne Grace, Executive Director; Michael L. Maddren, Solicitor; Anne M. Coogan, County Clerk; and other department heads.

Chairman McBlain called the regular meeting of February 28, 2018 to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by Aerielle Waters, Associate Director, Holcomb Behavioral Health. Chelsey Price, of the District Attorney's Senior Victim Services, gave the invocation.

Chairman McBlain called on Mrs. Morrone to start today's Agenda Items.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Item 4, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of February 21, 2018, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Chairman McBlain called on Bill D'Amico, Director of Fair Acres Geriatric Center, to speak on Agenda Item 5.

Mr. D'Amico asked for Council's approval of a Maintenance Service Agreement with Aladdin Temp-Rite, which is on State Contract No. 4400016035. This is a Preventative Maintenance Contract for the Cook-Chill System at Fair Acres for the heating of all the food at that facility. He called on Food Service Director Ed O'Halloran who gave a brief overview of that system.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Item 5 to enter into a Maintenance Service Agreement with Aladdin Temp-Rite, LLC, on State Contract No. 4400016035, for the term January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 in the amount of \$37,200.00. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Chairman McBlain called on Tom Micozzie, Director of Labor Relations, to speak on Agenda Item 6.

Mr. Micozzie asked for Council's approval to ratify a contract with Teamster Local No. 77, which is the service workers at Fair Acres. This union contract covers the Certified Nurses Assistants, Food Service, Maintenance, Dietary, Laundry, Housekeeping, Therapeutic Activities and Materials Management Departments for the three-year term December 1, 2017 through November 30, 2020.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to ratify a contract between the County of Delaware and the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Teamster Local No. 77, for a three (3) year term retroactive to December 1, 2017 through November 30, 2020. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Chairman McBlain called on Joe Dougherty, Director of Human Services, to speak on Agenda Item 7.

Mr. Dougherty asked for Council's approval of six (6) Subsidized Day Care Providers of Service with the Office of Human Services. This is 100% State/Federal funded.

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. Culp and carried unanimously.

Chairman McBlain called on Mrs. Morrone to speak on Agenda Item 8, a Resolution recognizing Women's History Month in Delaware County.

Throughout our history, Mrs. Morrone said women have fought tirelessly to broaden democracy, to ensure we are all treated equally, and to encourage young girls to reach for new heights.

Each year, County Council partners with the Delaware County Women's Commission to recognize Women's History Month, which is celebrated nationally during the month of March.

This year's theme is, "*Nevertheless She Persisted: Women Who Fight All Forms of Discrimination Against Women*," which will be highlighted by honoring individuals who have successfully challenged the role of women through their own success, determination and leadership.

The Women's Commission and its partner, the Friends of the Women's Commission, will celebrate Women's History Month at their annual breakfast on March 21 at the Springfield County Club. County Council will join them to present the annual Women of Achievement Awards to three women and induct a former longtime Newtown Square resident into the Hall of Fame.

Today, we want to recognize these four outstanding women for their work to empower women and advance our role and influence within the community.

The firsts recognition is for Linda Houldin who will be inducted into the Hall of Fame for her immeasurable contributions to the Delaware County community. Linda was a longtime Newtown Square resident and former executive director of the Delaware County Historical Society and co-founder of the Delaware County Veterans Memorial. Linda gave countless hours and used her many talents for the benefit of others. As a strong woman, she was the voice of our veterans, our children and the vulnerable. Linda worked tirelessly for the good of residents and had insurmountable energy for our community. While she is greatly missed, Linda is fondly remembered by Delaware County as an individual with a legacy of profound generosity. Linda's husband, John Houldin, attended today's meeting.

Three awards are being presented to the following women for the Women's Commission Woman of Achievement Award: Cheryl Colleluori, Dr. L. Joy Gates Black and Mares Stellfox.

Cheryl Colleluori is the president of HEADstrong Foundation and Nick's House. With the mission to improve the lives of those affected by cancer, HEADstrong was founded by Cheryl's son, Nick. Shortly after being diagnosed with blood cancer, Nick recognized that there was a lack of resources for cancer patients and their families, so he created the HEADstrong Foundation.

In 2006, Cheryl made a promise to her son that she would do everything in her power to take the HEADstrong Foundation to new heights helping as many people as possible – and she has done just that. By telling Nick's story, she continues her son's legacy of kindness by helping others who are coping with cancer. Cheryl is a compassionate leader and public voice for families in our community and she has changed the equation for those battling cancer.

Mrs. Colleluori thanked County Council and the Women's Commission for honoring her and Nick's House. They recently welcomed the first family into Nick's House.

Mrs. Morrone said our second honoree, Dr. Joy Gates Black, was unable to attend today's meeting. Dr. Gates Black has an extraordinary track record in expanding the academic success of students and furthering the advancement of education in communities. As a strong visionary leader, Dr. Gates Black is the fourth president of the Delaware County Community College since its founding 50 years ago. She also is the first woman and first African American president making history here in Delaware County. Prior to her tenure as vice chancellor at Tarrant County College District in Fort Worth, Texas, Dr. Gates Black held numerous positions at community colleges across the country. She is a U.S. Air Force veteran and a native of Dayton, Texas. We are proud of such a distinguished leader to our higher education community here in Delaware County.

The third honoree is Mares Stellfox, a Springfield High School graduate, who followed her childhood dream of becoming a race car driver. Known as the "Lady Outlaw," Mares is a woman who persisted in a mostly male dominated world of auto racing to become a local sports legend where she has broken many barriers in the sport of professional auto racing. During her first year of racing, she drove four races and progressed each year until she reached her goal of winning the championship three years later. She eventually joined the Tri-State Micro Sprint Outlaws where she earned her nickname "The Lady Outlaw." In 1989, she was named Rookie of the Year.

Mrs. Morrone said we are proud to honor these women today for their persistence to succeed and for accomplishing their life-long goals.

Mrs. Morrone called on the Women's Commission Chairperson, Caitlin Ganley, who recognized the following current and former members of the Women's Commission who attended today's meeting: Colleen Morrone, Denise Stewart, Teresa Agostinelli, Chelsey Price, Aerielle Waters, Emily Harris, Victoria Gainor, Patricia Morrisette, Sukha Williams, Pearl Kim and Kate Schramm. Ms. Ganley thanked them all for their dedication to the Women's Commission.

Mrs. Morrone said she is honored to have District Attorney Katayoun Copeland here this morning and asked her to come forward to be included in the picture.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving the request by the Controller's Office for payment of current bills, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried with an abstention vote registered by Mrs. Morrone. (Votes: 4 Yays/1 Abstention)

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

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Gretchen Bell, 310 Meadow Glen Lane, Middletown, spoke about selecting appointees to the Board of Elections.

Jack Stollsteimer, 117 Harvard Road, Havertown, commented on the Prison contract.

Gwendolyn McCullough, 1448 Burmont Road, Havertown, commented on her experience as a former inmate at the George W. Hill Correctional Facility.

Hugh Roberts, 410 Moylan Road, Media, a coordinator for "Fair Districts PA," asked that County Council endorse and adopt a resolution supporting House Bill 22 and PA House Bill 422 (a moderate partisan bill).

Paul Indorf, 339 W. 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Media, made comments about the way County Council worked together on the pipeline issues and the process of appointing members to the Board of Elections.

John Gallagher, 1002 Twyckenham Road, Media, made a few comments concerning County Council adopting a sexual harassment policy.

**COUNCIL:** Mr. Zidek wanted to take a brief moment to speak about "sensible gun legislation" in the wake of yet another mass shooting at a school. He believes that government, at all levels, needs to take whatever action they can take to try to prevent the next tragedy from occurring. While thoughts and prayers are appreciated, it is just not enough. The Second Amendment is not a guarantee that eighteen year olds can buy assault rifles. There is no reason why we can't limit the size of gun clips.

To those who say taking action on this front is not politically feasible. Mr. Zidek said he joins the students who are leading the charge here and crying and saying "Vote B.S." He urges residents who advocate for sensible gun legislation to attend the upcoming March for Our Lives in Washington, D.C. on March 24.

Mr. Madden echoed Mr. Zidek's thoughts. As a general matter, he thinks the public has a very understandable fatigue with seeing rhetoric get in the way of progress amongst our elected

officials. There are so many places where, when we remove the rhetoric, there can be common ground across the aisle to make progress.

Mr. Madden wanted to thank those who have come forth this week, and in prior weeks, bringing sensible ideas to County Council in ways that we can advance things. In particular, Ms. McCullough's bravery to be vulnerable in the public and share what was a dark time in her life in the hopes that we can improve upon an important area of government. Again, he thinks that when we remove the rhetoric about private prisons and we think about what we are trying to accomplish, which is to reduce crime and insure those who find their way into the criminal justice system, that is the last time they find their way into the criminal justice system. We do everything we can to insure those that have found their way stay out when they get out.

He thinks this issue deserves a lot of exploration about what is the sensible way to insure our tax dollars are going toward a critical public area of service, which is the criminal justice system, and to get folks back on their feet who have found a way into the system.

Mr. Madden also recognized Mr. Roberts for coming forth today and his work on behalf of Fair Districts PA. The integrity of our electoral system is a building block issue. When our electoral system is not working, is not functioning effectively, it's very hard to make progress elsewhere. He believes somewhere around 50% of our elected representatives in Harrisburg didn't see opposition in their most recent elections. Something is wrong with that when the players on the field are also doing the officiating; there is a clear conflict of interest. While we have had a short term solution put into place by the courts, which (as Mr. Roberts said) isn't where it should come from. We need a long term solution there. He believes the work that Fair District PA has done of putting forth the idea of an independent commission, one that is received bi-partisan support, he hopes his colleagues on County Council will join him in passing a resolution in support of this bill.

Mr. Culp thanked everyone from the Delaware County Women's Commission for coming in today. He looks forward to celebrating the three exceptional honorees on March 21. He also recognized Claude de Botton, co-founder of the Delaware County Veterans Memorial, who came today to support John Houldin. He couldn't agree more with the Commission's decision to induct Linda Houldin into the Hall of Fame. He looks forward to seeing everyone on March 21.

Mrs. Morrone said you can see by the attendance and the honorees that we recognized today from the Women's Commission that we have outstanding women that are leading in Delaware County. She is honored to have them with us today. They do tremendous jobs here in Delaware County raising families as well as contributing to the community. She thinks it is very special to be able to have all of them present today and to be able to share and recognize these four outstanding women who truly represent Delaware County today, tomorrow and into the future.

Chairman McBlain echoed the comments made to congratulate the honorees. The three women are outstanding choices for this year's Woman of Achievement Awards. He said Linda Houldin was a special person here in Delaware County. She was involved in many different aspects and her love for the history of Delaware County was certainly apparent and, when she was able to attend our meetings at various times during the year, there was no better cheerleader for Delaware County and no one worked harder than she did.

Chairman McBlain thanked all those who came to today's Council meeting. There was talk at yesterday's Agenda Meeting and now at today's Council Meeting regarding the Prison. We have been engaged in that evaluation and (as was noted) the contract with the current private operator expires at the end of the year. He knows our board is engaged in a process to begin a Request for Proposal process and also an evaluation of benefits and detriments of a private operator vs. a public operation. He doesn't know that anybody is committed to any certain outcome. He will be looking for an outcome that is both from an operational standpoint and an economic standpoint that is best for our residents in Delaware County. We will continue to work with all types of groups. Many of the speakers, both today and yesterday, have been engaged with prison officials to discover information to get unprecedented tours and access to the prison.

In regards to Mr. Roberts and the Fair Districts PA, he thinks that issue will come back. He knows Council is considering that. He had an opportunity to speak to Mr. Roberts regarding that. Chairman McBlain said he has reached out to some of our legislators that are involved and are sponsors of that. Speaking for himself, they are still looking at that issue and they will see what can be done.

Lastly, Chairman McBlain wanted to comment on the reassessment process here in Delaware County. There is a story today in the newspaper and County Council issued a news release yesterday to update our residents on the reassessment process. As was announced previously, we are starting to gather data. This process will be much different than the process used in mid-1990's. Currently, there are drivers going through different parts of the county taking photographic data. That process has been concluded in Upper Darby Township, Haverford Township, East Lansdowne Borough and Yeadon Borough. They began the process this week in Radnor and Marple Townships and the Boroughs of Lansdowne, Clifton Heights, Aldan, Collingdale and Sharon Hill. It has also been announced that there will be four scheduled public information meetings for people who have questions about the reassessment process, how it will be done and what it might mean to them. Registration is not required and any resident can attend these meetings. There is information on the County website and also a hotline has been set-up. The number is 610-891-5695.

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

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>
Cadence Education Inc	Subsidized Day Care	1/1/18-*	-	N/A (Based on maximum State childcare allowance)
Children Advancing Towards Success	Subsidized Day Care	1/1/18-*	-	N/A (Based on maximum State childcare allowance)
Summit Children's Program	Subsidized Day Care	1/1/18-*	-	N/A (Based on maximum State childcare allowance)
Eastwick Learning Academy	Subsidized Day Care	1/1/18-*	-	N/A (Based on maximum State childcare allowance)
Beverly Lewis	Subsidized Day Care	1/1/18-*	-	N/A (Based on maximum State childcare allowance)
The Puzzle Place Learning Center LLC	Subsidized Day Care	1/1/18-*	-	N/A (Based on maximum State childcare allowance)

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