

The Board of Mifflin County Commissioners met for their Regular Meeting on Thursday, September 18, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. In attendance were Commissioners Robert Postal; Kevin Kodish; Noah Wise; Chief Clerk Cathy Romig; Solicitor Steve Snook; and Fiscal Assistant Holly Yeager.

Guests present were, Treasurer Diane Griffith, Kathy Whalen from Juniata Valley Behavioral and Developmental Services, Children and Youth Administrator Nicole Patkalitsky; Director of Elections Paula Hoffman, Director of Veterans Affairs Jim Peters and Mackenzie Peachey and Evan Strohecker from MCTV.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Commissioner Postal.

- I. **Invocation:** The Invocation was given by Commissioner Kodish.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.
- III. **Approval of Minutes:**
Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to accept the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 18, 2025. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.
- IV. **Approval of Bills:**

1. General Fund, Accounts Payable

Ck. #'s 151890-152002 and EFT #'s 603783-603794 in the amount of \$728,212.55

2. Payroll Account

Ck. #'s 80108-80117 and Direct Deposit Advice #'s 63931-64164 in the amount of \$ 485,665.27

3. 911 Account

Ck. #'s 53093-53096 and EFT #'s 80210-80213 in the amount of \$59,557.28

4. LEPC Account

Ck. #1616-1618 in the amount of \$5,266.36

5. Act 137 Account

Ck. #8157 in the amount of \$51.10

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve payment of bills as listed above. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

V. **Treasurer’s Report:**

TREASURER'S REPORT	
9/17/2025-09/30/2025	
General Account Starting Balance	\$551,985.05
DEBITS	
Deposits Receipts #127013-127149	632,453.99
Transfer from 911	0.00
Transfer from Capital Reserve	1,000,000.00
Transfer from LEPC	0.00
Interest	0.00
Voided Checks	1,345.13
TOTAL DEBITS	\$1,633,799.12
CREDITS	
Bills Paid CK #'S 151890-152002 EFT #'S 603783-603794	728,212.55
Transfer to Payroll ckt#80108-80117 DD#63931-64164	485,665.27
NSF Check	6,800.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$1,220,677.82
Ending Balance (Interest @ 4.350% as of 9/30/2025)	\$965,106.35
Capital Reserve Account	
Invested at JV Bank @ 4.350% as of 9/30/2025	\$11,506,970.53
Report Subject to Audit	

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve the Treasurer's Report as received, subject to audit. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

VI. Meetings and Events:

*Chairman Postal: Central Counties Youth Center
PA America 250 Bells Across America Mifflin County bell unveiling
OPIOID meeting with Mike Hannon of Tri-County Drug and Alcohol
JVBDs Executive Committee
Internal: Budget meetings; Projects; Elections; Tax Claim, MIS*

*Commissioner Kodish: Board of Elections
RACP Grant Conference Call
Housing Authority Executive Director Meeting
Tax Services 2026 Budget Meeting
District Attorney 2026 Budget Meeting
Farm Bureau Fall Dinner
MIS 2026 Budget Meeting
Prison 2026 Budget Meeting
Prothonotary 2026 Budget Meeting
SEDA-COG Board
Courts 2026 Budget Meeting
CYS 2026 Budget Meeting
2024 Audit Review Meeting
PA America 250 Bells Across America Mifflin County bell unveiling
OPIOID meeting with Mike Hannon of Tri-County Drug and Alcohol
Meeting with Wayne Township Resident about the Primary Election*

*Commissioner Wise: Public Meeting
Board of Elections
Housing Authority Executive Director Meeting
RACP Grant Conference Call
Farm Bureau Fall Dinner
Tax Services 2026 Budget Meeting
District Attorney 2026 Budget Meeting
Youth Park Renovation Meeting with contractor
Habitat for Humanity of Mifflin County Open House
Prothonotary 2026 Budget Meeting
JVB Meeting – Ceremony
Courts 2026 Budget Meeting
Probation 2026 Budget Meeting
Domestic Relations 2026 Budget Meeting
Monthly Veterans Meeting
CTC Meeting at Career Link
CYS 2026 Budget Meeting
PA America 250 Bells Across America Mifflin County bell unveiling
OPIOID meeting with Mike Hannon of Tri-County Drug and Alcohol
Meeting with Wayne Township Resident about the Primary Election*

VII. Public Comment:

Director of Elections Paula Hoffman made an announcement that the County will be using electronic poll books for the first time for the November 4, 2025 election. Director Hoffman is hosting an Open House where the public can view the electronic poll books in the Annex Building October 13 at the following times: 9:00am – 11:00am; 1:00pm – 3:00pm; 5:00pm – 7:00pm.

Director Hoffman shared the following important dates for the upcoming election. October 20 is the last day to register to vote and to make any changes to voter registration information. October 28 is the last day to apply for a mail-in ballot. Voting in office will take place October 20 – October 28.

VIII. New Business:

A. Proclamation – National Disability Employment Awareness Month, October 2025

Proclamation

"NATIONAL DISABILITY EMPLOYMENT AWARENESS MONTH" October 2025

WHEREAS, October 2025 marks the 80th anniversary of National Disability Employment Awareness Month; and

WHEREAS, The purpose of National Disability Employment Awareness Month is to raise awareness of disability employment and celebrate the many and varied contributions of America's workers with disabilities; and

WHEREAS, The history of NDEAM traces back to 1945, when it began as a weeklong recognition of people with physical disabilities.

WHEREAS, Later, NDEAM was expanded to a full month and evolved to include all people with disabilities, including those with mental health conditions and other nonobvious disabilities, acknowledging the importance of increasing their access to employment.

WHEREAS, Workplaces welcoming of the talents of all people, including people with disabilities, including those with mental health conditions and other nonobvious disabilities, are a critical part of our efforts to build a strong economy; and

WHEREAS, Activities during this month will reinforce the value and talent people with disabilities, including those with mental health conditions and other nonobvious disabilities, add to our workplaces and communities and affirm Huntingdon, Mifflin and Juniata Counties' commitment to ensuring that all people, including disabled workers, have the opportunity to find meaningful work.

Therefore, be it RESOLVED, That the Counties of Huntingdon, Mifflin and Juniata recognize and commemorate the 80th anniversary of National Disability Employment Awareness Month; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the U.S. Department of Labor's Office of Disability Employment Policy and Huntingdon, Mifflin and Juniata Counties call upon employers, schools, and other community organizations in our three county region to participate in the observance with appropriate programs and activities in October to help ensure that disabled workers have the opportunity to find meaningful work every month of every year; and be it further

RESOLVED, That the counties of Huntingdon, Mifflin and Juniata pledge to continue to take steps throughout the year to recruit, hire, retain, and advance individuals with disabilities and work to pursue the goals of opportunity, full participation, economic self-sufficiency, and independent living for people with disabilities, including those with mental health conditions and other nonobvious disabilities,

Kathy Whalen from Juniata Valley Behavioral and Developmental Services thanked the Commissioners for the proclamation. Ms. Whalen shared that there are 39 employers that employ 70 individuals throughout our region. Ms. Whalen announced that the Walk to Prevent Suicide will be held at Kish Park on Sunday, October 5, 2025. Registration is at Noon. The walk begins at 1:00pm. There is an employee employer recognition event being held at 152 East Market Street, #105, Lewistown on October 23, 4:00pm – 6:00pm.

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve the proclamation. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

- B. Request for exoneration of 2025 county real estate tax bill and relieve the Tax Collector from collecting this bill:

- Parcel No. 17,12-0111,103 located in Granville Township - \$6.31 – pavilion has been removed

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve the item. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

- C. Application for County Aid – 2025 Liquid Fuels Allocation

- McVeytown Borough - \$1,000.00

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve the item. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

- D. Purchase of Service Agreement for use, if needed, by Children and Youth for the period July 1, 2024 through June 30, 2025

- Tuscarora Intermediate Unit, McVeytown, PA

Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the item. Commissioner Kodish seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

- E. Purchase of Service Agreement for use, if needed, by Children and Youth for the period July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026

- Concern Professional Services, Fleetwood, PA
- The Salvation Army, Allentown, PA
- Perseus House, Inc., Erie, PA

Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the item. Commissioner Kodish seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

F. Mid-State Construction, Inc. Change Order No. 1 for the Mifflin County Historic Courthouse Rehabilitation Project – increase of \$27,600.00 – floor and miscellaneous repairs

Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the item. Commissioner Kodish seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

G. Personnel:

- Hiring of Katrina Foltz for Case Manager/Intake Specialist in the Public Defender’s Office effective September 29, 2025
- Transfer of Justin Trego from 911 Telecommunicator to 911 Data Analyst effective September 29, 2025
- Resignation of Kobe Bonnell from part-time Corrections Officer effective September 26, 2025

Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the personnel item. Commissioner Kodish seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

I. Adjournment:

With no other business on the agenda, Commissioner Postal adjourned the meeting at 9:23 a.m.

Secretary

ATTEST:

Chief Clerk