

The Board of Mifflin County Commissioners met for their Regular Meeting on Thursday, July 31, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. In attendance were Commissioners Robert Postal; Kevin Kodish; Noah Wise; Chief Clerk Cathy Romig; Solicitor Steve Snook.

Guests present were, Treasurer Diane Griffith, Planning Director Jim Lettiere, Grants Liaison, Madison Price, Carol Kearney-High with SEDA COG, Corporal Brehman, Lewistown Borough Sergeant Lynch, Regional Police John Chester, EADS Group's Brian Bloom, and Ciara Williams and Aaden Stevens 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 July 17, 2025. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

IV. **Approval of Bills:**

- 1. General Fund, Accounts Payable
Ck. #'s 151242-151364 and EFT #'s 603529-603542 in the amount of \$614,244.13
- 2. Payroll Account
Ck. #'s 80072-80080 and Direct Deposit Advice #'s 62791-63020 in the amount of \$460,606.37
- 3. 911 Account
Ck. #'s 53051-53058 and EFT #'s 80189-80192 in the amount of \$8,867.53
- 4. LEPC Account
Ck. # 1608 in the amount of \$1117.88
- 5. Liquid Fuels Account
Ck. # 1754 in the amount of \$1,682.25
- 6. Liquid Fuels Act 89 Account
Ck. #'s 8155 in the amount of \$47.80

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	
7/16/2025-7/29/2025	
General Account Starting Balance	\$837,127.38
DEBITS	
Deposits Receipts #126288-126407	410,701.96
Transfer from 911	0.00
Transfer from Capital Reserve	0.00
Transfer from LEPC	0.00
Interest	0.00
Voided Checks	100.00
TOTAL DEBITS	\$410,801.96
CREDITS	
Bills Paid CK #'S 151242-151364 EFT #'S 603529-603542	614,244.13
Transfer to Payroll ck#80072-80080 DD#62791-63020	460,606.37
Transfer to CYS	0.00
NSF Check	0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$1,074,850.50
Ending Balance (Interest @ 4.350% as of 7/29/2025)	\$173,078.84
Capital Reserve Account	
Invested at JV Bank @ 4.350% as of 7/29/2025	\$14,707,822.39
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:

Monday is the opening of the 4-H Youth Fair

Chairman Postal:

*Salary Board
Central Counties Youth Center Executive Committee
JVCC Board
Affordable Housing Meeting with D. Pownell
Quarterly MJHS
Main Street Matters Announcement – Governor Shapiro
J-Way / MCHC & MCL – Ag Ex
Main Street Matters Grant Workshop
PA Opioid Treatment Workshop 2
Internal: Tax Services, MCCF; MCPD; Maintenance;
Election Grant; Fiscal*

Commissioner Kodish:

*Salary Board
Meeting with Warden and Deputy Warden
Workshop Meetings
Affordable Housing Meeting with D. Pownell
Human Services Quarterly Meeting
SEDA-COG Local Development Corporation Briefing
Main Street Matters Announcement – Governor Shapiro
Main Street Matters Grant Workshop*

Commissioner Wise:

*Salary Board
Public Meeting
Board of Elections
MCSD
Quarterly Commissioner Meeting
Main Street Matters Announcement – Governor Shapiro
CTC Meeting
HSDF Meeting
Affordable Housing Meeting with D. Pownell
Historic Courthouse*

VII. Public Comment:

None

VIII. New Business:

A. Proclamation – National Night Out August 5, 2025

PROCLAMATION

NATIONAL NIGHT OUT 2025

WHEREAS, Mifflin County National Night Out is held annually on the first Tuesday in August; and

WHEREAS, the Annual National Night Out provides a unique opportunity for Mifflin County to join forces with thousands of other communities across the country in promoting cooperative, police-community crime prevention efforts; and

WHEREAS, Mifflin County National Night Out event will be held on August 5, 2025 at Kish Park from 6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.; and

WHEREAS, it is essential that all citizens of Mifflin County be aware of the importance of crime prevention programs and the impact that their participation can have on reducing crime, drugs, and violence in Mifflin County; and

WHEREAS, police-community partnerships, neighborhood safety, awareness and cooperation are important themes of the National Night Out program;

NOW, THEREFORE WE, the Mifflin County Commissioners do hereby call upon all citizens of Mifflin County to support the Annual National Night Out on August 5, 2025.

Proclaimed this 31st day of July, 2025.

Regional Police Officer John Chester shared all of the events that are planned for the local National Night Out with the goal of building a partnership between the police and the community. He thanked the Commissioners for their support and those that were involved in planning the local Night Out event.

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

B. Proclamation in recognition of David E. Pennebaker for his years of service on the Planning Commission

Proclamation
RECOGNITION OF DAVID E. PENNEBAKER

Whereas, volunteer community service is an integral part of the operation and core values of Mifflin County; and

Whereas, we honor those who generously give their time and talents to improve their communities; and

Whereas, David Pennebaker is a life-long resident of Mifflin County; and

Whereas, David Pennebaker has been active in the community, including serving on the Brown Township Zoning Board, being a leader in the Explorer Scouts (affiliated with the Boy Scouts), and serving as an original member and former president for the Big Valley Ambulance Services; and

Whereas, David Pennebaker was instrumental in implementing the Big Valley Area Medical Center, was a CPR lead trainer in the Emergency Management Group within five counties, a local pastor in several churches, and a council member for the Upper Susquehanna Senate for Evangelical Lutheran Churches; and

Whereas, David Pennebaker served as a member on the Mifflin County Planning Commission for many years, including in the late 1970's into the 1990's, and again from 2013 until 2024; and

Whereas, the Mifflin County Board of Commissioners recognizes David Pennebaker for his many years of dedicated service within the county; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mifflin County Board of Commissioners, in appreciation of David Pennebaker's devotion and service to the Mifflin County Planning Commission, enact this permanent record of gratitude for his outstanding community service.

Proclaimed this 31st day of July, 2025.

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

C. Appointment of Edward Mann to fill an unexpired term on the Planning Commission

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

D. Application for the RASA/VOJO Grant for the period January 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026 - \$48,243.00

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

E. Project Modification Request for the VOCO Grant to increase the consultant budget and decrease the salary budget – total budget remains the same

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

F. Designation of the Mifflin County Historical Society as the official historical society for Mifflin County

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

G. Application for County Aid – 2025 Liquid Fuels Allocation:

- Menno Township - \$3,002.00
- Newton Hamilton Borough - \$1,000.00

Menno's allocation will be used for road resurfacing. Newton Hamilton's allocation will be used for street light costs.

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

H. Corrected amount for the Homeless Assistance Program Grant Agreement for Mifflin-Juniata Human Services Case Management - \$7,368.00

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

I. Payment application #8 for the Hawstone Water Storage Tank Project in the amount of \$62,927.30 – SE Construction Group, LLC

This is the final invoice for SE Construction Group, LLC.

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

- J. Payment application #9 for the Hawstone Sewer Extension Project in the amount of \$137,053.65 (\$130,848.65 to be paid by County CDBG) - C&R Directional Boring

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

- K. Payment application #10 for the Hawstone Water Extension Project in the amount of \$98,772.78 - C&R Directional Boring

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

- L. Certificate of Substantial Completion for C&R Directional Boring, LLC for the SR 333 Water Extension project

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

- M. Certificate of Substantial Completion for SE Construction Group, LLC for the SR 333 Water Extension Project

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

- N. Final Adjustment Change Order #6 SR 333 Water Extension Project increasing current contract price of \$1,553,410.91 to \$1,613,448.53

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

IX. Adjournment:

With no other business on the agenda, Commissioner Postal adjourned the meeting at 9:22 a.m.

Secretary

ATTEST:

Chief Clerk