

The Board of Mifflin County Commissioners met for their Regular Meeting on Thursday, September 5, 2024 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 Charity Larson.

Guests present were, Treasurer Diane Griffith, Planning Director James Lettiere, CDBG Grants Liaison Michael Fonti, Bob McCaa of the Lewistown Fire Department, Scott Mauery of the Burnham Fire Department and Ava Liebegott and Mila Pavlova 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 Meetings of August 29, 2024. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

IV. **Approval of Bills:**

- 1. **General Fund, Accounts Payable**
Ck. #'s 147550-147596 and EFT # 602196 in the amount of \$224,063.13
- 2. **Payroll Account**
Ck. #'s 79894-79901 and Direct Deposit Advice #'s 57595-57812 in the amount of \$464,554.20
- 3. **911 Account**
Ck. #'s 52868-52877 and EFT # 80091 in the amount of \$14,345.58
- 4. **CDBG Account**
Ck. #'s 1751-1754 in the amount of \$37,728.54

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	
8/28/2024-9/3/2024	
General Account Starting Balance	\$2,094,319.92
DEBITS	
Deposits Receipts #122236-122271	363,608.03
Transfer from Capital Reserve	0.00
Voided Checks	0.00
Interest	6,165.15
TOTAL DEBITS	\$369,773.18
Bills Paid CK #S147550-147596 EFT #S602196	224,063.13
Transfer to Payroll CK 79894-79901 DD 57595-57812	464,554.20
Adjustment	0.00
NSF Check	0.00
Transfer to Coroner	1,200.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$689,817.33
Ending Balance (Interest @ 4.550% as of 9/3/2024)	\$1,774,275.77
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Capital Reserve Account	
Invested at JV Bank @ 4.550% as of 9/3/2024	\$15,308,747.68

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:

JVBDS Executive Committee
 Workshop Meeting
 2025 Budget Meetings (Sheriff; Coroner; GIS;
 Register & Recorder)
 Meeting with Architect – Library Project

Commissioner Kodish:

Workshop Meeting
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Commissioner Wise:

Workshop Meeting
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VII. Public Comment:

None

VIII. New Business:

A. Proclamation Proclaiming September 11, 2024 as National Day of Service and Remembrance

A Proclamation Proclaiming September 11, 2024, as “National Day of Service and Remembrance in Mifflin County

Whereas, on September 11, 2001, our nation faced an unprecedented attack on U.S. soil, and the American people responded with remarkable courage and heroism; and

Whereas, in the aftermath of this tragedy, Americans came together, demonstrating unity and compassion as they supported one another, grieved together, and began the challenging task of rebuilding their communities, neighborhood by neighborhood; and

Whereas, in 2002, family members of the victims, first responders, and others established “9/11 Day” to ensure that the anniversary of the September 11 attacks would be marked by acts of service and volunteerism, fulfilling the commitment to “Never Forget”; and

Whereas, on April 21, 2009, Congress passed the Serve America Act, designating September 11th as an annual “National Day of Service and Remembrance” and entrusted the AmeriCorps agency with leading this nationwide initiative; and

Whereas, on the anniversary of the September 11 attacks, it is fitting to honor the resilience and strength of the American people through acts of service to our nation and local communities; and

Whereas, by participating in this National Day of Service and Remembrance, we pay homage to those who lost their lives or were injured, recognize the bravery of first responders and those who continue to serve our country, including active duty and reserve soldiers, veterans, and their families; and

Whereas, numerous organizations—including nonprofits, faith-based groups, public agencies, educational institutions, private businesses, and individuals—are organizing activities across the nation to observe September 11th as a day of service; and

Whereas, on September 11, 2024, all members of the community are encouraged to honor the fallen and celebrate the enduring American spirit of resilience through acts of service; **Now, Therefore,**

BE IT PROCLAIMED on this 5th day of September 2024 by the Mifflin County Commissioners that September 11, 2024, is hereby recognized as “National Day of Service and Remembrance” in Mifflin County.

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

B. Request for exoneration of delinquent real estate taxes and relieve Kathy Whitsel, Assistant Director of Tax Services from collecting these taxes:

- Parcel No. 16,42-0131B-,000 located in Derry Township – request from District Attorney (2016-2023)

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

C. Resolution No. 44 of 2024 opening the Revolving Loan Fund at Juniata Valley Bank

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

D. Ratification of Application for the Department of Transportation Grant - \$445,573.00

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

E. Change Order No. 1 for the Hawstone Water Extension Project for C&R Directional Boring, LLC to provide and install 26 meter pits – Increase of \$71,655.35

CDBG Grants Liaison Michael Fonti explained if the meters were installed in each household, they would have to bring each house up to code per CDBG regulations. Meter pits will have to be installed to keep the project within budget.

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

- F. Change Order No. 2 for the Hawstone Water Extension Project for SE Construction Group, LLC adding a second 8” inlet/outlet pipe and ¾” sensing line to the water storage tank including 20’ of 8” pipe and 8” gate valve – Increase of \$10,853.00

Michael Fonte stated the reason for the increase is because this was missed in the original design plan.

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

- G. Ratification of Change Order No. 2 with Benell, Inc. for the Library Project to add sprinkler piping – increase of \$92,074.00

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 9:21a.m.

Secretary

ATTEST:

Chief Clerk