

The Board of Mifflin County Commissioners met for their Regular Meeting on Thursday, October 16, 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, Director of Elections and Voter Registration Paula Hoffman, Director of Fiscal Affairs Duane McMullen, Helen Kirk, and Ava Kelly and Ethan McMonigal 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 October 2, 2025. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

**IV. Approval of Bills:**

1. General Fund, Accounts Payable  
Ck. #'s 152003-152163 and EFT #'s 603795-603906 in the amount of \$1,459,410.64
2. Payroll Account  
Ck. #'s 80118-80122 and Direct Deposit Advice #'s 64165-64390 in the amount of \$371,413.86
3. 911 Account  
Ck. #'s 53097-53103 and EFT #'s 80214-80218 in the amount of \$133,772.04
4. LEPC Account  
Ck. # 1619 in the amount of \$33.96
5. Home Program (CDBG) Account  
Ck. # 467 in the amount of \$16,325.00

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	
10/1/2025-10/14/2025	
General Account Starting Balance	\$965,106.35
DEBITS	
Deposits Receipts #127153-127369	509,049.85
Transfer from 911	13.12
Transfer from Capital Reserve	1,000,000.00
Transfer from LEPC	165.25
Interest	5,499.66
Voided Checks	0.00
TOTAL DEBITS	\$1,514,727.88
CREDITS	
Bills Paid CK #S 152003-152163 EFT #S 603795-603906	1,459,410.64
Transfer to Payroll ck#80118-80122 DD#64165-64390	371,413.86
NSF Check	0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$1,830,824.50
Ending Balance (Interest @ 4.350% as of 10/14/2025)	\$649,009.73
Capital Reserve Account	
Invested at JV Bank @ 4.350% as of 10/14/2025	\$10,583,644.05
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:	Meetings with Borough Manager / Streetscape Meeting RE: Back Maitland Road SEDA-COG JRA LEO/WIB Executive Committee Bicentennial Tree Dedication LSA appointment with consultant YMCA/Library Projects Review Per Capita Meeting with Merry Bratton Internal: Budget meetings; Fiscal; Maintenance; Election
Commissioner Kodish:	Conservation District 2026 Budget Meeting YMCA/Library Projects Review Sheriff 2026 Budget Meeting Elections 2026 Budget Meeting Veterans Affairs 2026 Budget Meeting PIMCC Board Meeting Crime Victims Services 2026 Budget Meeting Meeting with Lewistown Borough Manager Workshop Meetings CARS Board Bicentennial Tree Dedication Potential County Projects Meeting Per Capita Meeting with Merry Bratton
Commissioner Wise:	Meetings with Lewistown Borough Manager Meeting with Juniata Byler Meeting with Madison Price at Reedsville Youth Park Public Meeting Conservation District 2026 Budget Meeting YMCA/Library Projects Review Budget Meeting for Maintenance Crime Victims Services 2026 Budget Meeting JVBDS Light Out of the Darkness Event Commissioners 2026 Budget Meeting Sheriff 2026 Budget Meeting Meeting with Don Chesney Mifflin County Republican Committee Fall Banquet Charlie Kirk Memorial Celebration Bicentennial Tree Dedication United Way LSA appointment with consultant

**VII. Public Comment:**

None

**VIII. New Business:**

- A. Proclamation designating a new Mifflin County Bicentennial Tree

**Proclamation Designating a New Mifflin County Bicentennial Tree**

**Whereas**, Mifflin County celebrated its 200<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of its formation as a County in August, 1989; and

**Whereas**, as part of the Bicentennial Celebration in 1989, a Bicentennial Tree with an age of at least 200 years old had been chosen; and

**Whereas**, the original Bicentennial Tree had to be removed in 2025 because of natural causes; and

**Whereas**, in 1989, the Mifflin County Commissioners, within the original Proclamation dated August 31, 1989, stated that “the spirit of cooperation and unity exhibited in the celebration thus far continues through the official birthday on September 19, 1989 and forever thereafter,” and

**Whereas**, the Mifflin County Board of Commissioners wish to continue to recognize the spirit of the Mifflin County Bicentennial Celebration and the intent of the Board of Commissioners in 1989;

**Now, Therefore**, it is proclaimed that the American Sycamore tree located within the County-owned cemetery known as Potter’s Field and being estimated to be at least 200 years old is designated as the Bicentennial Tree;

And, the County will perpetually care for the American Sycamore tree at Potter’s Field as a symbol of Mifflin County’s history and heritage.

Proclaimed this 16<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2025.

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

B. Paula Hoffman, Director of Elections and Voter Registration – Election Update

Director Hoffman shared that approximately 2100 mail in ballots were sent. On Election Day, checking in to vote at any of the Mifflin County polling locations will be done using electronic pollbooks. Paper ballots will be used to vote. The Voter Registration Office will remain open until 5:00 p.m. on Monday, October 20 and on Tuesday, October 28. Voting information is available online at [www.vote.pa.gov](http://www.vote.pa.gov).

C. Request for exoneration of the 2023 county delinquent real estate taxes and relieve Kathy Whitsel, Assistant Director of Tax Services from collecting these taxes:

- Parcel No. 16, 05-0125--,000 – parcel was a duplicate entry

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

D. Application for County Aid – 2025 Liquid Fuels Allocation

- Armagh Township - \$5,727.00
- Brown Township - \$5,185.00
- Bratton Township - \$2,167.00

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

E. Notice of Award for the Barefoot Road Bridge project

- H&P Construction, Inc., Kulpmont, PA - \$18,533.79

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

F. Notice to Proceed for H&P Construction, Inc. for the Barefoot Road Bridge Project

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

G. Reappointment of Robert Postal, Lewistown, PA, to the SEDA-COG Joint Rail Authority for a five-year term

Commissioner Kodish shared that the Joint Rail Authority will become an independent organization January 1, 2026.

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

H. Reappointment of Dwight Yoder, Belleville, PA to the Airport Authority for a five-year term

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

I. Personnel:

- Resignation of Part-time Corrections Officer Jennifer Henry effective October 10, 2025
- Hiring of Garrett Nichols for Part-time Corrections Officer effective October 13, 2025

*Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the personnel items. 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 9:13 a.m.*

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Secretary

ATTEST:

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Chief Clerk