

PRESENT: Mario J. Civera, Jr., Chairman; Colleen P. Morrone, Vice Chairman; John P. McBlain, Council Member; David J. White, Council Member; Michael F. Culp, Council Member; Edward O'Lone, Controller; Marianne Grace, Executive Director; Michael L. Maddren, Solicitor; Anne M. Coogan, County Clerk; and other department heads.

Chairman Civera called the regular meeting of September 20, 2017 to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by Tavia Isaac, of Chester and Food Network's "Chopped Junior" champion. Allison McCord, of the Office of Intercommunity Health Coordination, gave the invocation.

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

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 4, the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 13, 2017, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Central Tax Collection Department's request for a refund for the year 2017 County Real Estate Taxes for 1 property owner due to the overpayment of the amount of taxes due, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Linda Hill, Director of Planning/OHCD, to speak on Agenda Items 6 and 7.

Ms. Hill said Item 6 is a request for approval to submit a Grant Agreement to the state under the Municipal Assistance Program. The grant is for the development of a corridor study to address land-use impacts of the Conchester Highway Improvement Project in Chichester Township. They are requesting \$15,000.00 with a match provided by the County Planning Department In-Kind Services.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 6 to submit a Grant Application to the PA Department of Community and Economic Development for the Municipal Assistance Program Grant in the amount of \$15,000.00. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Ms. Hill said Item 7 is a request to approve the County's Analysis of Fair Housing Plan for submission to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. The document is mandated by H.U.D. and it identifies ten goals to be implemented over the next five-years to promote housing choice.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 7, the 2018-2023 Assessment of Fair Housing, subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving the application for initial certifications of a Hazardous Materials Response Team. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to adopt the Delaware County, Pennsylvania All Hazards Emergency Operations Plan to be administered through the Delaware County Department of Emergency Services. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Joe Dougherty, Director of Human Services, to speak on Agenda Item 10.

Mr. Dougherty asked for Council's approval of three contracts and three Subsidized Day Care Providers of Service.

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. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Mrs. Morrone to speak on Agenda Item 11, a Resolution declaring October as Health Literacy Month.

Mrs. Morrone said you often hear people say, "As long as I have my health, everything else is okay." A person's health is of the utmost importance and one of the key aspects of good health is good communication with your doctor.

In Delaware County, a group of healthcare professionals, educators and business leaders have formed the Delaware County Health Literacy Coalition. Their goal is to ensure the residents of Delaware County have the ability to obtain, process and understand basic health information so they can make informed decisions about their health.

So many times, people go to their doctor and leave the office without asking the right questions, or they don't understand their medication or follow-up instructions. The coalition's mission is to enhance communication and understanding between medical personnel and patients thereby improving the patient's outcome.

Communication is a two-way street. "Health literacy" also means that doctors, nurses and other professionals communicate clearly with their patients, particularly senior citizens or people who may have limited language and reading skills.

The Health Literacy Coalition is providing a valuable service throughout Delaware County and we are pleased that our Department of Intercommunity Health is helping to spearhead this

effort. So, we are pleased to be a participant in the work of the Health Literacy Coalition and in recognizing October as National Health Literacy Month.

Mrs. Morrone read (in part) the following Resolution:

Whereas, good health is essential to the welfare of residents in Delaware County, and also the quality of life, strength of families and effectiveness of the workforce in the county; and

Whereas, the ability to obtain and understand information about a person's health and medical care is essential and greatly impacts a person's ability to participate in making good health decisions, and people with low health literacy are likely to experience poor health outcomes; and

Whereas, the Delaware County Health Literacy Coalition includes various partners in the health community to raise awareness of health literacy and to reach residents who have low health literacy, recognizing that one in three Americans do not have the reading, writing or life skills to handle the complex health environment of today; and

Whereas, Delaware County and the Department of Intercommunity Health, working with the Health Literacy Coalition, strive to educate residents about the importance of public health prevention as an investment in our residents.

Now, Therefore, Be It Resolved, that We, the County Council of Delaware County, hereby declare October 2017 to be Health Literacy Month in Delaware County to call attention to the need for health literacy and to assist those with low health literacy in achieving positive health outcomes.

Attending today's meeting were the following individuals: David McKeighan, Executive Director of the Delaware County Medical Center; Lori Devlin, Director of the Department of Intercommunity Health Coordination; and Senior Medical Advisor Dr. George Avetian.

Mr. McKeighan introduced the following people who accompanied him: Marie Feindt, Esq., Delaware County Women's Commission; Chelsey Price, Executive Director of the District Attorney's Senior Victim Services; Kristin Ball Motley, Pharmacist and President of Health Care Solutions of Delaware; Christina Gordon, Delaware County Office of Behavioral Health; Herb

Hazan, retired past president of the Radnor Township Board of Health; and Janet Lis, Esq, a member of the Coalition.

Chairman Civera called on Mr. White to speak on Agenda Item 12, a Resolution recognizing Chef Tavia Isaac, the Food Network's "Chopped Junior" champion.

Mr. White said Delaware County Council is proud to have many young citizens who, through their outstanding achievements, bring great pride and distinction to themselves, their communities and the County of Delaware. One of those individuals is 13-year old Chester resident, Tavia Isaac.

Last September, Delaware County residents and the rest of the nation fell in love with the charming, creative, young chef with a big personality when she appeared on the Food Network's "Chopped Junior."

While on the show, Chef Tavia cooked up a first place title by cooking an elaborate dish consisting of some very interesting ingredients. For the main course, she prepared a brown butter Cornish hen, sautéed asparagus and Brussel sprouts with blueberry ketchup. As an appetizer, she prepared a grilled minute steak with dragon tongue beans and a cherry tart with banana meringue for dessert.

Apparently, the producers of Chopped Junior were equally impressed with the young chef because they invited her back to the show to compete again against 15 other Chopped Junior champions. The show aired on the Food Network earlier in May of this year. Chef Tavia made it to the second round.

Chef Tavia comes from a family that loves to cook, including her mother Crystal, and her grandmother Annette Burton. When she was just 8-years old, she and her mother watched "Chopped" together. When Tavia found out she was going to be on the show, she practiced every week with her grandmother who would give her baskets of unusual foods and time her on how long it took to prepare a dish. The practice paid off big time with a first-place prize.

With the money she won, Chef Tavia took her family on a vacation, bought her brother a laptop, gave presents to other family member and donated some of her winnings to a local charity for the homeless. Needless to say, she is one impressive young lady, who is not only talented but also generous and mature beyond her years.

Since the show, she has been cooking for friends and family while making appearances as a celebrity, including being a special guest chef at "The Women in Philly Are Cooking" Expo. In between enjoying her well-earned stardom, Tavia is focusing on school as an 8th grade student at Agora Cyber Charter School. Mr. White said he is told that one day she would like to host her own cooking show.

Chairman Civera called on Mr. McBlain to speak on Agenda Item 13, a Resolution recognizing the life-saving efforts of First Responders at a Clifton Heights fire.

As individuals, Mr. McBlain said we are sometimes faced with alarming and unusual emergency situations that require the assistance of our police, paramedics and trained first responders. Delaware County Council is grateful to have many heroes in our midst, citizens who don't hesitate to use their training and skills to help others in times of emergency.

This morning, County Council is proud to recognize five first responders whose quick action, training and heroic efforts resulted in lives being saved. We are honored to have them with us today.

Mr. McBlain gave the following brief narrative of their heroic, life-saving actions that took place on September 4 (Labor Day).

There was a significant fire that occurred in Clifton Heights at the Cliff Park Apartments, located in the 300 block of North Sycamore Avenue. The first responding officer to the scene was Sergeant Marie Morgan of the Clifton Heights Police Department. She quickly located and reported the fire to be in the third floor of the building.

Sergeant Morgan was then joined by Officer Christian Caputo, of Clifton Heights, and Sergeant Steve Ziviello, of Aldan Borough Police Department. Together they entered the building and successfully evacuated all but the third floor due to heavy smoke and flames.

In response to a report of an entrapment on the third floor, EMT Kevin Cosentino and paramedic Sam Mason joined the three police officers and located a mother, teenage daughter and two toddlers in perilous and heavy smoke conditions.

As directed, the toddlers were dropped safely to Sergeant Ziviello and EMT Cosentino and tended by Sergeant Morgan and Sergeant Ziviello while Officer Caputo medically cared for the mother and teenage daughter who were forced to jump from the window to escape smoke and fire conditions.

Faced with an alarming and unusual emergency, these first responders disregarded their own personal safety to save the lives of others. On that day, they acted decisively and responded during a time when seconds meant the difference between life and death and by the grace of God no one was seriously injured.

We are very fortunate to have them serving here in our community. Their actions exemplify how members of our law enforcement and first responder community are always willing to answer the call of duty for our residents and to enter perilous situations, even at the risk of their own lives.

Mr. McBlain said it was appropriate to recognize the efforts of the volunteer firemen who answered the call on that day. In addition to these individuals who are being honored today, there were over 100 volunteer firemen who responded to that fire who we also want to recognize. They were successful in limiting the fire to just one building, as there are several buildings within this apartment complex. Four of these volunteer firemen went to the hospital and thankfully with only minor injuries.

He recognized the following individuals: Sergeant Marie Morgan, Clifton Heights Police Department; Sergeant Steve Ziviello, Aldan Police Department; Kevin Cosentino, EMT, Crozer Keystone Health System EMS – North Division; Sam Mason, Paramedic, Crozer Keystone Health System EMS – North Division; Chief Timothy Rockenbach, Clifton Heights Police Department; Chief Kenneth J. Coppola, Aldan Borough Police Department; Conlen M. Booth, Chief of EMS – North Division, Crozer Keystone Health System; and Clifton Heights Mayor Joe Kelly. Officer Christian Caputo, of the Clifton Heights Police Department, was unable to attend.

Chairman Civera called on Mrs. Morrone to continue with today's Agenda Items.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 14, the request by the Controller's Office for payment of current bills, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried with an abstention vote registered by Mrs. Morrone.

SOLICITOR: Mr. Maddren asked for Council's authorization to file two (2) Consents for Adoption with the Orphans Court.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to file two (2) Consents for Adoption with the Orphans Court, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comment(s).

COUNCIL: Mr. Culp thanked Lori Devlin, Dr. Avetian and everyone involved in the Health Literacy Coalition for the excellent job they do all year long. Chef Tavia has put Delaware County on the map as far as cooking is concerned and he can hardly wait to be invited to dinner. Lastly, thanks to all the police, firefighters, EMS and dispatchers who did a tremendous job the day of the fire in Clifton Heights. They do a tremendous job 24/7, 365 days a year to help protect and to serve the residents of Delaware County. God bless you all and keep you safe.

Mr. White thanked the Literacy Coalition for the great job they do. Tavia, you are a very impressive young lady and have done an outstanding job. He knows her mom and aunt are very proud of her, as we all are here in Delaware County. Tavia will be a tremendous star one day and have her own cooking show. To our first responders – we should reach out every day and offer our gratitude for what you have done and always do. He (and fellow Council members) are very proud of the work they do each and every day.

Mr. McBlain echoed the comments that were made today for all the honorees. He has three teenage girls and Chopped is one of their favorite shows. This is probably the only TV show that he and his girls can watch together since he doesn't like their shows and they don't like his shows, but they all love Chopped.

Mrs. Morrone congratulated Tavia. This is a great opportunity for her to kick-off a great career in something that she seems to be very interested in. Council will follow her and will be looking for an invite to her restaurant when that happens. Congratulations to our lifesaving heroes who were with us today. Thank you for your efforts. We talk a lot at our Council meetings about partnerships and collaborations and it is no truer than with our firemen, EMS and police who save lives every day.

To expand on our health awareness and literacy, Mrs. Morrone said we have a Wellness Fair going on today in the Government Center Building. We invite all our residents, visitors and staff to stop at the fair from 11:00 A.M. through 2:00 P.M. to gather information on health, awareness and fitness. It's a great event and there are some great partnerships that are provided by our Women's Commission, The Friends of the Women's Commission, our Department of Intercommunity Health along with Crozer, Mercy and Riddle Health Systems.

Chairman Civera said it is always a pleasure to greet our residents and acknowledge what they have achieved throughout the year. We take great pride in what they do on a daily basis to help protect all the citizens of Delaware County. Whatever comes up, we are there to help protect everybody.

Chairman Civera said, being in the food business and of Italian descent, he understands how Tavia is learning to cook from her grandmother and other family members. Recipes and cooking ideas are passed down from one generation to another. When you make your family proud, that is the best. When you make your County proud, that is still the best.

Our first responders are the defense mechanism of the United States government and to Delaware County. It was Labor Day weekend (nine year ago) that his food business suffered a fire. If it wasn't for the first responders on that day, there would have been a lot more damage. Delaware County can't thank the first responders enough for their work and dedication.

There being no further County business, nor public discussion, motion made by Mr. Culp to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. White 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>
Race to Recovery Now	Outpatient Services	9/1/17-6/30/18 (amendment)	\$50,000	\$100,000
Avanco International, Inc.	Case Management System Software	7/1/16-12/30/17 (amendment)	\$225,000	\$225,000
West Philadelphia Mental Health Consortium dba The Consortium	Supports Coordination	7/1/17-6/30/18	N/A	N/A*
Chyrstal Wilson	Subsidized Day Care	8/1/17-**	N/A	N/A
Discovering Minds Early Learning Center	Subsidized Day Care	7/1/17-**	N/A	N/A
JJTS Group Inc	Subsidized Day Care	8/1/17-**	N/A	N/A

*Contract contains no maximum dollar amounts-only approved per unit cost rates.

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