

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.

Prior to starting today's Council Meeting, Chairman Civera asked for a moment of silence be observed for those who are affected by the horrific acts that took place in Las Vegas, Nevada on the evening of October 1 when so many lost their lives, were injured or were affected by this event.

Chairman Civera called the regular meeting of October 4, 2017 to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by Ed O'Lone, Controller. Gayle Oddi, Administrative Officer of the Department of Human Services, gave the invocation.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 27, 2017, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 4 to purchase four (4) MaxiMove Mechanical Lifts from ArjoHuntleigh in the amount of \$32,000.00. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to purchase Up Fit for two (2) Dodge Ram Warrant Trucks with emergency lighting/prisoner cages/sirens through EVO, on COSTARS Contract No. 012-081, for a cost not to exceed \$26,758.58. (Domestic Relations Funding) The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Central Tax Collection Department's request for refunds for the year 2017 County Real Estate Taxes for 8 property owners due to the overpayment of the amount of taxes due, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Central Tax Collection Department's request for 28 Court Ordered refunds for the years 2008-2014, 2016 and 2017 for properties in the Boroughs of Brookhaven, Clifton Heights, Collingdale, Folcroft, Marcus Hook and Trainer and the Townships of Concord, Lower Chichester and Upper Darby in the total amount of \$44,763.12. The motion was seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Joe Dougherty, Director of Human Services, to speak on Agenda Item 9.

Mr. Dougherty asked for Council's approval of two (2) Subsidized Day Care Providers for Child Care Information Services. There is no County dollars associated with the approval of this item.

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. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving a memorial to be erected on the grave of Robert O. Belcher, of Glenolden Borough, a deceased service person, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Mr. White to speak on Agenda Item 11, announcing the kick-off of the 15th Annual Holiday Food Drive.

Mr. White said it's that time of year when we ask our employees and residents to donate food items to help stock the shelves of our local food centers for the holiday season.

Our social service agencies report that people are struggling, even people who have jobs, but may be working fewer hours. Senior citizens are making tough choices between paying for medicine or paying for food. Children may be getting less nutritious meals. There are many who need a helping hand.

Our food drive started in 2003 as a simple competition between our Office of Behavioral Health, in Upper Darby, and Magellan Behavioral Health. Today, 15 years later, the food drive has grown to include all county offices and many partners in the community. Last year, more than 27,500 pounds of food were donated and delivered to four sites with many food banks with their clients sharing in the deliveries.

Delaware County residents, schools and businesses are invited to join county employees in placing donations in collection boxes. These boxes are placed in the Government Center Lobby; outside the Sheriff's Office in the Courthouse; the Fronfield Building, which houses Court Services; at Fair Acres in the main lobby; the Juvenile Detention Center and 911 Centers, in Middletown; the County Office of Services for the Aging (COSA); the Children & Youth Services (CYS) Offices, in Eddystone; and the Human Services offices at 20 S. 69th Street, in Upper Darby. In addition, we have our member libraries participating this year.

Mr. White called on Gayle Oddi, Food Drive Coordinator, to come forward to say a few words.

Ms. Oddi said the Food Drive started in 2003 and it was a way for Magellan, our Health Choices provider, to give back to the county residents. You might not know this but Magellan is located in Bucks County and collected food and brought it to Delaware County. For several years, Magellan collected more food than the County office. We didn't like that.

In the beginning there was a challenge that whoever collected the most food had to wear a turkey suit on delivery. That didn't seem fair. So, that was changed to whoever collected the least amount of food had to deliver in a turkey suit. Bill Chambers, the former coordinator of the

Food Drive until he retired, never wore the turkey suit! There are lots of people in Human Services who have volunteered to wear the turkey suit. The challenge is still there in jest, but the turkey makes for a good picture.

Ms. Oddi said this year's goal is to collect 30,000 pounds of food. It's a hefty goal but she believes this goal can be met.

She introduced the following individuals who help to make this Food Drive happen: Joe Dougherty, Director of Delaware County Human Services; Jonna DiStefano, Administrator, County Office of Behavioral Health; Lisa Blair, Food Drive support from OBH; Jessica Fink, Food Drive support from OBH; Jen Wilson, Food Drive support, Personnel Department; Carman Mancini, Food Drive support from the Office of Facilities Management; Julie Brown, Delaware County Program Director, Magellan Behavioral Health; Ruby Benson, Family and Community Services; Kevin Curran, Vice President, TD Bank; Tara Karbiner, Children's Service Manager, Magellan; Aubrey Proud, Community Relations Director, Magellan; Mike Raith, Director of County Court Services; Mary McFall Hopper, Sheriff, County Sheriff's Office; Linda Toche-Manley, Ph.D., Executive Director, Family & Community Services; Brian Dillon, Public Relations & Grant Coordinator, Delco Libraries; Lisa Kearney, Administrative Assistant, County Council; Kate Morrone, Delaware County Public Relations Department; Denise Haley, of Wawa Inc.; Melissa Steinhauer, Recorder of Deeds (as the turkey); and others.

Ms. Oddi called on Sheriff Hopper to say a few words about a new challenge.

Sheriff Hopper thanked Gayle Oddi and her team for all the work they do on the food drive. She is extremely proud of everyone in the Sheriff's Office who takes this as a personal challenge every year. Last year her office won the cup by raising over 2,600 pounds of food. They have challenged themselves this year to increase that number.

Sheriff Hopper challenged each office to do the same. Increase what you did last year and if you want to try and win the cup back from them, (she is a little competitive, so she doesn't want to give it up), she would gladly give it up or lend it to some department for a year because that means they have gotten way more food to serve the residents of Delaware County. That is what we are here for. Competition is great and it is also a way of team-building within the office. The ultimate goal is to get as much food as we can for needy people.

Chairman Civera called on Mrs. Morrone to announce the beginning of the 2017 Flu Awareness and Prevention Campaign.

With last week's warm temperatures, Mrs. Morrone said it is hard to believe that the fall season is already here, which means cooler temperatures and, unfortunately, the flu season is right around the corner.

The intensity and severity of flu season can be difficult to predict. The effectiveness of the vaccine is dependent upon many variables. It is predicted that this year's vaccine will be effective and well-matched to the circulating strains.

Currently, Australia is in the midst of one of its worst flu outbreaks on record. The bad news is that our flu season follows suit with the flu activity in the Southern Hemisphere which precedes us. The good news is that our vaccines seem to be a good match for the circulating flu virus.

County Council urges all residents to get their annual flu shot, which is the best way to protect yourself, your family and your co-workers from getting sick. Receiving a flu shot is the first and most important step in preventing the flu and thereby decreasing the risk of severe flu-related illnesses.

Each year, 200,000 people in the United States are hospitalized due to complications from the flu. People who have had the flu know how serious it can be. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) continues to recommend that everyone six months and older should get vaccinated against flu. Flu shots should be given by the end of October.

County Council and our Department of Intercommunity Health want to make getting a flu shot as convenient as possible. We post a calendar of flu shot clinics on our website, by date and by town. There are several flu shot clinics at our senior center.

County Council and our Department of Intercommunity Health are announcing free, walk-in flu shot clinics, from 10 A.M. to 2 P.M., October 13 at Pilgrim Gardens Senior Center, in Drexel Hill and on October 20 at the Haverford YMCA. There is also a Drive-Thru Clinic scheduled at the Tinicum Fire Station on November 3.

Attending today's meeting on behalf of Flu Awareness and Prevention is Dr. George Avetian, Senior Medical Advisor.

Chairman Civera called on Mr. Culp to speak on Agenda Item 13, announcing Delaware County's 3rd Annual Fall Festival at Rose Tree Park on October 11.

Mr. Culp said we are proud to join our County Department of Parks and Recreation to announce our 3rd Annual Fall Festival. There will be hayrides, pumpkins and apple cider at this free, family-oriented event on Sunday, October 22, from Noon-3 P.M. at Rose Tree Park.

County Council is pleased that we can offer so many free recreational events for our residents. Thousands of people already visit Rose Tree Park for free concerts, the holiday light show or just to get outside and take a walk. We hope the Fall Festival is another way to create a family tradition.

Hayrides take visitors around the horseshoe loop toward the back of the park, providing an optimal view of the rolling hills, fall foliage and handmade scarecrows marking the trail. Along with family-oriented activities, there will be a visit from District Attorney Jack Whelan's mascot "CID," the anti-crime dog. Additionally, the Heroin Task Force Mobile Drug Collection Unit will be on hand to collect expired, unwanted prescription medications.

Fall decorations and painted wooden cut-outs will be arranged for special photo opportunities in the activity area near the pumpkin patch and refreshment tables.

We look forward to seeing everyone at Rose Tree Park on October 22 for this fun, festive event!

Attending today's meeting is Marc Manfre, Director of Parks & Recreation; Beth Chapman, Communications/Marketing Manager; and Anne Cicala, Parks & Recreation Department.

The Parks & Recreation Department does an unbelievable job year in/year out, not only with the Fall Festival but with the Summer Concert Series that ended recently and the Christmas light display. Thank you for all you do for the county.

Mr. Manfre thanked Beth Chapman and Anne Cicala for their hard work on this fall event, Council for their continued support and the maintenance staff who sometimes gets overlooked.

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 Mr. White.

SOLICITOR: Mr. Maddren asked for Council's authorization to file three (3) Petitions for the Voluntary/Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights, two (2) Petitions for the Voluntary Termination of Parental Rights and one (1) Consent for Adoption with the Orphans Court.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to file three (3) Petitions for the Voluntary/Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights, two (2) Petitions for the Voluntary Termination of Parental Rights and one (1) Consent for Adoption with the Orphans Court, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT: No public comments.

COUNCIL: Mr. Culp said he is looking forward to the Food Drive. It's a friendly competition, but it's also something we can all come together on to help needy people. The Fall Festival, at Rose Tree Park, is always a family fun day. Marc Manfre and his team do a great job in organizing this day. Last, he encourages all residents to get their flu shot.

Mr. McBlain said he agrees with Mr. Culp that the Food Drive is a fun competition while helping the needy. He has always been proud of his Irish-American background. Hunger is something that is a central focus point of Irish-American history, so when we do a competition like this the focus is on the issues of hunger and how it can help the people in need. It's fun but it does not overlook the good that takes place among departments with collecting food.

Chairman Civera thanked everyone for attending this morning's Council meeting. We have an ambitious fall agenda as far as the Food Drive, Flu Awareness and Prevention Campaign and the Fall Festival at Rose Tree Park. It just goes to show you that the seasons are changing.

Chairman Civera said to stay safe. There is a lot going on in our country and we just have to pray to the Lord that we get through all the turmoil and things settle down. It's a good nation; it's a good state; and it's a good county. We have to be thankful for all we have on a daily basis.

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

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>
Tender Years Preschool LLC	Subsidized Day Care	8/1/17-*	N/A	N/A
Starting Someplace Investments LLC	Subsidized Day Care	8/1/17-*	N/A	N/A

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