

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 November 1, 2017 to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by Ed O'Lone, Controller. Maureen Dillon, of the Office of Information Technology, 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 October 25, 2017, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to purchase one (1) 2018 Chevrolet Silverado 3500HD 4-Wheel Drive truck for Fair Acres Management Department for grounds maintenance, on COSTARS Contract No. 25-163, at a total cost not to exceed \$52,888.00. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 57772 between the County of Delaware and Loftus Construction Inc. for reconstruction of the Convent Road Bridge, County Bridge No. 6, over Chester Creek to *decrease* contract in the amount of \$1,463.37. 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 7.

Mr. Dougherty asked for Council's approval of a two-year Grant Application (9/1/18 to 8/31/20) for rental assistance and case-management services for youth transitioning out of Children & Youth Services. He also asked for the approval of three Subsidized Day Care Providers.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Agenda Item 7, 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 to appoint Chelsey Price, of Newtown Township, to the Delaware County Women's Commission to a term ending June 2020, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to reappoint J. Mervyn Harris, of Nether Providence Township, and A. Richard Paul, of Marple Township, to the Heritage Commission of Delaware County for a term ending September 2020, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to reappoint the following individuals to the Delaware County Hero Scholarship Fund Board for a term ending October 2020:

Nancy Mackrides
Timothy A. Boyce
Thomas J. Murray, Jr.

Edgmont Township
Upper Darby Township
Marple Township

The motion was seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to reappoint Thomas J. Judge, of Darby Township, and Mario J. Civera, Jr., of Upper Darby Township, to the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority for a term ending October 2022, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried with an abstention vote registered by Mr. Civera.

Chairman Civera spoke on Agenda Item 12, announcing the flying of the U.S. Marine Corps flag.

Chairman Civera said brave men and women in the United States military continue to protect our national security, both at home and on foreign soil. Since the terrorist attacks of September 11, 2001, a new generation of heroes have stepped up to preserve peace and safeguard our homeland. In Delaware County, we are committed to showing our appreciation of their dedication, courage and sacrifice.

We honor them in many ways. One is through our Armed Services Tribute Board in the lobby. We also honor the five service branches – the Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force and Coast Guard by flying their flag to observe their anniversaries.

Yesterday, Chairman Civera said a new and larger Tribute Board was erected in the Government Center Lobby. The Tribute Board started long before he came into office. Council is very proud of the expansion of the board and this is a way to pay tribute to our military men and women.

This morning, we raised the flag of the U.S. Marine Corps, which was established on November 10, 1775. It will fly for one week from the flagpoles in the courtyard of the Government Center and Courthouse complex and in front of the Courthouse.

To celebrate the Marine Corps anniversary, we were joined this morning by Bob Malloy, of Prospect Park who served as a door gunner for the Huey Helicopter. Mr. Malloy is a Vietnam veteran who served in Khy, Quang Tri and New River. After serving in the Marine Corps, Mr. Malloy worked at US Air for 33 years. He is a father of four children and we are proud to have such a distinguished veteran as part of our Delaware County family.

Mr. White spoke on Agenda Item 13, a presentation by Cracker Barrel Old Country Store of rocking chairs.

Rising above America's Interstate highways, Mr. White said a familiar sign beckons, Cracker Barrel. Delaware County residents can get ready to order some signature down-home-cooking and relax on the iconic porch rocking chairs when the brand new Cracker Barrel Old Country Store officially opens its doors, in Ridley Township, on Monday, November 13 at 6:00 A.M.

More than 45 years ago, a Tennessee man named Dan Evins saw an unmet need. The American Interstate was expanding and connecting people to new places, but travelers couldn't count on a consistent, quality place to stop along the way to stretch their legs, refuel and find a good meal at a fair price. Evins had a vision to create a place to meet their needs, a place that preserved the simplicity of Southern life that he could share with travelers and neighbors alike. Built by hard work and strong values to do the right thing, the cooks, servers and operators are described as the "soul" of Cracker Barrel.

We look forward to enjoying the hospitality and southern charm of the new 10,000 sq. ft. Cracker Barrel Old Country Store when it opens on South Stewart Avenue (at the Ridley Park Exit off I-95) as part of Ridley Square, a new business development that has been steadily growing since 2013. This store will include the iconic front porch, known for its classic rocking chairs, a full retail store and (of course) their delicious home-style comfort food.

Today, we are honored to welcome Cracker Barrel Old Country Store to Delaware County. Greg Tucker, General Manger and Shannon Brooks, Retail Manager, of the Ridley Cracker Barrel were here to present rocking chairs to County Council. Two rocking chairs are being presented to each of the five Council members who will then donate to the following: Fair Acres Geriatric Center and Upper Darby Senior Center (Mario Civera); Concord Senior Center (Colleen Morrone); Children & Youth Services waiting room (John McBlain); Headstrong and Ridley's Senior School House Center (Dave White); and Headstrong (Michael Culp).

Mr. White introduced Tore Fiore, Executive Director of Destination Delco, and asked him to say a few words.

Mr. Fiore thanked County Council for all they have done in the Ridley Township section of Delaware County, namely two hotels, Royal Farms, Stingers at the Ridley Marina and now Cracker Barrel.

There are 647 Cracker Barrel locations in the United States with the Ridley location being the first in Delaware County. He introduced the manager of this new Cracker Barrel Old Country Store - Greg Tucker to say a few words.

Mr. Tucker said the new Cracker Barrel will officially open on Monday, November 13 at 6:00 A.M. There will be a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony on Friday, November 10 (time to be

announced). They have been waiting to get into the Delaware County area for a long time, so they are extremely excited.

The rocking chairs that were donated today were made by the Hinkle Chair Company, of Springfield, Tennessee, who have been making rocking chairs for the last 180 years. Cracker Barrel has partnered with them for the last 40 years. They are amazing and that is part of Cracker Barrel's culture to have the porch with rockers available for their customers to sit and rock while waiting for a table or grandparents teaching their grandkids how to play checkers. It is amazing seeing the smiles on people's faces as they sit on the porch.

Mr. Tucker thanked Council once again for welcoming them to Delaware County. They can hardly wait until November 13 when they will get this location up and running. They have hired 200 people from the county to work at Cracker Barrel Old Country Store.

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 unanimously.

SOLICITOR: Mr. Maddren asked for Council's authorization to file three (3) Petitions for the Voluntary/Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights with the Orphans Court.

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

PUBLIC COMMENT: Natrisha Granger, of the Boys and Girls Club of Chester, 201 East 7th Street, Chester City, came into our meeting this morning to let Council know the Club has received the Direct-Free Communities Grant that was awarded. She also wanted us to know they will be involved in the community.

COUNCIL: Mr. Culp thanked Mr. Malloy for his service to our country and for coming in today. As for Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, we can hardly wait to patronize that location and will definitely attend the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony, no matter what time it is. Thanks very much for the rocking chairs and they will be put to good use in Delaware County. Welcome to Delaware County!

Mr. White thanked Mr. Malloy for his service and his dedication to his community and his country. Welcome to Cracker Barrel and thanks for choosing Delaware County; you won't be disappointed in that decision. You will have a quick following. As for Ms. Granger and all those that work at the Boys and Girls Club of Chester, you do a great job. The grant is well-worth it and will be put to good use.

Mr. McBlain echoed his congratulations and thanks to the United States Marine Corps and Mr. Malloy and all his colleagues. He welcomes Cracker Barrel to our county. He and his family drive a lot to Florida and take his girls to swimming competitions, so they are big fans of Cracker Barrel while on the road. He is thrilled that he will finally be able to buy a rocking chair since he is usually driving a mini-van that is filled to the hilt and has no place to put one. We are happy that it's a project where Cracker Barrel saw cooperation from the local government (Ridley Township) and the county who assisted in directional signage and that sort of thing while working with PennDOT. We look forward to doing that for many businesses in Delaware County, whether it's 200 people or 3. We are very proud of our small businesses here in the county.

Mrs. Morrone said she, too, is looking forward to the opening of Cracker Barrel Old Country Store, in Ridley Township. Her family has visited many Cracker Barrels while driving down the I-95 corridor to Florida and Disney World. They would stop and have some breakfast and pick-up a Harry Potter Book on tape and then have breakfast or lunch on their trip home. It's great to see one finally here in Delaware County. We hope you open up some additional stores here in Delaware County as you continue to grow. Thank you for the opportunity to be able to give these rocking chairs to community organizations here in the county where we know they will be used and appreciated. Thanks to Mr. Malloy for joining us this morning and for your service. We appreciate what you have done for our country.

Mrs. Morrone announced there will be a Flu Clinic on Friday, November 3, which is a drive-thru clinic. It will be held from 10:00 A.M. to 2:00 P.M., in Essington, at the Tinicum Fire House. So, if you haven't received your flu shot, it is a quick way to get that flu shot taken care of.

Chairman Civera thanked everyone for attending this morning's Council Meeting and especially to Mr. Malloy and the representatives from Cracker Barrel. Delaware County is always on the move as far as the economics of the county. This is what we pride ourselves in. The donation of these rocking chairs will be greatly appreciated and is very kind donation.

Lastly, Chairman Civera said yesterday, October 31, a great event took place in Upper Darby/Springfield Townships with the reopening of the Rosemont Avenue Bridge, which had been closed for some time. A lot of Springfield and Upper Darby residents attended. The original bridge was approximately 300 years old and now the bridge can handle fire apparatus that needs to cross over to other side of the bridge.

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>
Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency (PHFA)	PA Housing Affordability & Rehabilitation Enhancement (PHARE) Grant Application	Year Two 9/1/18-8/31/19 Year Three 9/1/19-8/31/20	N/A	\$425,182
Jeanettes Little Hands & Feet Child Ca	Subsidized Daycare	10/1/17-*	N/A	N/A
Hollice Lespoir	Subsidized Daycare	9/1/17-*	N/A	N/A
Bernadette Lucas	Subsidized Daycare	9/1/17-*	N/A	N/A

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