

**PRESENT:** John P. McBlain, Chairman; Colleen P. Morrone, Vice Chairman; Michael F. Culp, Council Member; Kevin M. Madden, Council Member; Brian P. Zidek, Council Member; Joanne Phillips, Controller; Marianne Grace, Executive Director; Michael L. Maddren, Solicitor; Anne M. Coogan, County Clerk; and other department heads.

Chairman McBlain called the regular meeting of January 10, 2018 to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by Michael Ranck, President/CEO, Community YMCA of Eastern Delaware County. Helen McGoohan, of the Office of Intercommunity Health, gave the invocation.

Chairman McBlain said Delaware County experienced the loss of one of its firefighter's this past weekend, Lt. Matthew LeTourneau a member of the Philadelphia Fire Department. He was an active volunteer with the Springfield Fire Department and instructor at the Delaware County Board of Fire and Life Safety. He tragically died in the line of duty battling a fire in North Philadelphia. Chairman McBlain asked for a moment of silence for Lt. LeTourneau and to recognize the sacrifice that he made.

Chairman McBlain called on Vice Chairman Morrone to start today's Agenda Items.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving Item 4, the Minutes of the Organization Meeting of County Council on January 2, 2018, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Chairman McBlain called on Lori Devlin, Director of Intercommunity Health, to speak on Agenda Items 5 and 6.

Mrs. Devlin asked for the approval Item 5, an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Delaware and the PA Department of Health for the Strategic National Stockpile Program in the amount of \$32,000.00. There is no County match associated with this grant.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving an Intergovernmental Agreement between the County of Delaware and the PA Department of Health for the Medical Counter Measure/Strategic National Stockpile Program for the term July 1, 2017 through June 30, 2018 in the amount of \$32,000.00. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Madden and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Devlin asked for the approval of Item 6, an Agreement between the County of Delaware and Aquila Services. Aquila is the contractor we work with to help support our Strategic National Stockpile Program for training and education throughout the community and with our Emergency Management Department.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving an Agreement between the County of Delaware and Aquila Strategy and Operations Group to review and update the County's Medical Counter

Measure/Strategic National Stockpile Plan in the amount of \$32,000.00. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving an Agreement between the County of Delaware and Bennett G. Preston, M.D. for work to be performed at the Medical Examiner's Office for the period of January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018 for an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Culp and carried unanimously.

Chairman McBlain called on Cathy Bittle, Director of Library Services, to speak on Agenda Items 8, 9 and 10.

Mrs. Bittle asked for Council's approval of Item 8, the renewal of the annual subscription to Reference USA Business Database. This provides research on economic development and marketing tools and it gives us access to 49 million businesses with 298 consumer marketing records. It is available in libraries and from home with a library card. The cost is \$38,000.00.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to renew annual subscription for the Delaware County Library System to Reference USA Business Database from Infogroup for the period January 15, 2018 to January 14, 2019 at a cost of \$38,000.00. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Bittle asked for Council's approval of Item 9, the Maintenance Contract renewal with Innovative Interfaces. This is a maintenance and help desk service that connects the software system through our libraries and gives support to our circulation, acquisition, cataloging and statistical analysis. The cost is \$87,398.20 with no County dollars associated with the approval of this item.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to renew the Maintenance Contract with Innovative Interfaces, Inc. for calendar year 2018 that connects all 26 member libraries in Delaware County and provides services such as cataloging, circulation, acquisitions, serial control and interlibrary loan in the amount of \$87,398.20. (Funding: State) The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Mrs. Bittle asked for Council's approval of Item 10, the renewal of a contract with Overdrive, Inc. (Sole Source) for downloadable eBooks and audiobooks in the amount of \$168,500.00 with partial funding from the State in the amount of \$93,500.00.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to renew a contract for the Delaware County Library System with Overdrive, Inc. (Sole Source) for calendar year 2018 to purchase eBooks and audiobooks for Delaware County residents to download to eReaders, computers and mobile devices at a total cost of \$168,500.00 with partial funding from the State. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Chairman McBlain called on Joe Dougherty, Director of Human Services, to speak on Agenda Item 11.

Mr. Dougherty asked for the approval of a new residential treatment provider of service (a Halfway House in Lancaster County) for drug and alcohol abuse with H.E.A.R., Inc.

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.

Chairman McBlain called on Mr. Culp to speak on Agenda Item 12, announcing and recognizing the Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service on January 15.

Mr. Culp said Monday, January 15 marks the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. federal holiday, first created in 1983 to mark the birthday of Dr. King. In 1994, Congress designated Martin Luther King Jr. Day as a national day of service when people are encouraged to participate in activities that help our neighbors and improve our communities. That spirit of service is strong here in Delaware County. There are several events being held on Monday that call on people to *not* take a day off, but instead to work on a service project.

While we cannot list all of the excellent programs going on throughout the county for MLK Day, we do want to highlight two initiatives: Hoops from the Heart and the Unity Day Breakfast.

This year is the 17<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the *Hoops from the Heart* basketball fundraiser and food drive that takes place at four colleges and raises money for the Community Action Agency of Delaware County, which is the county's anti-poverty agency. To date, this event has raised over \$100,000.00 for the Community Action Agency.

The *Hoops from the Heart* event involves hundreds of young athletes who attend basketball clinics at Haverford, Neumann, Widener and Cabrini Colleges. The proceeds from the clinics are used to help needy families plus the participants bring non-perishable food items that are delivered to the Life Center in Upper Darby, which serves homeless individuals.

We are always impressed by the dedication of the coaches, the enthusiasm of the athletes and the generosity of everyone involved. It's a great moment when we make that final delivery of food to the Life Center.

Also on Monday, people will gather at the Drexelbrook, in Upper Darby, for the *Martin Luther King Jr. Unity Day Breakfast*. This annual event is hosted by the Community YMCA of Eastern Delaware County in partnership with the Chamber of Commerce, Upper Darby Community Outreach Corp., local churches and area schools. This event features the presentation of student essays, uplifting music and an inspirational keynote address. This year's speaker is Chief Regina Price of the Darby Township Police Department.

Chief Price was born and raised in Palm Beach County, Florida. In 1986, Chief Price commenced her law enforcement career with the Riviera Beach Police Department. In 2001, she was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant, in 2011 promoted to Commander and in 2012 promoted to Major, all while making history as the first-ever black female in these positions along with being the highest ranking black female within the Riviera Beach Police Department.

During her tenure, she graduated from the Executive Leadership Program at Florida Atlantic University in Broward County. In January 2016, Chief Price retired after 30 years of service as the highest ranking female ever from the Riviera Beach Police Department.

Locally, Chief Price made history as the first appointed black female Chief in the history of Delaware County and was the first appointed female Chief in the history of Darby Township Police Department.

By hosting speakers like Chief Price, the Unity Day Breakfast continues Martin Luther King's legacy of celebrating people who serve others. The breakfast also supports the YMCA's mission to promote the values of caring, honesty, respect and responsibility.

Mr. Culp called on Ed Coleman, Director of the Community Action Agency, to come forward to say a few words.

Mr. Coleman thanked County Council for their continued support, participation and promotion in this annual event that benefits the Community Action Agency. Children in Grades 1-8 participate in the basketball clinics and are instructed by basketball coaches from Haverford, Neumann, Widener and Cabrini Colleges. These events provide a great opportunity for the academic community, the athletes and coaches.

The following representatives for the Unity Day Breakfast who attended today's meeting were: Michael L. Ranck, President/CEO, Community YMCA of Easter Delaware County; Vincent Gordon, Event Chair, Community YMCA Foundation Board of Directors; Trish McFarland, President of the Delaware County Chamber of Commerce, event committee member and sponsor; and Chief Regina Price, of the Darby Township Police Department, event Keynote Speaker.

Mr. Ranck thanked County Council for this recognition. The Unity Day Breakfast is open to the public. It starts at 8:00 A.M. and ends no later than 9:15 A.M. This year they have two essay winners, one from Drexel Hill Middle School and the other from Beverly Hills Middle School (in Upper Darby Township) who will speak along with Chief Regina Price.

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

**SOLICITOR:** Mr. Maddren asked for Council's authorization to file 4 Petitions for the Voluntary/Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights, 2 Petitions for the Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights and 2 Consents for Adoption with the Orphans Court.

Motion made by Mrs. Morrone approving to file 4 Petitions for the Voluntary/Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights, 2 Petitions for the Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights and 2 Consents for Adoption with the Orphans Court. The motion was seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Chairman McBlain called on Dr. George Avetian, Senior Medical Advisor, to say a few words about the flu season.

Dr. Avetian said we are in the midst of the flu season. The flu season usually runs from October to May with a spike around the end of December. Currently, it is widespread in 46 states with the predominate strain being H3N2. There are three different types of flu virus, Type A, B and C. Type A and B cause the annual influenza epidemics that have 20% of the population sniffing, aching, coughing and running high fevers. Type C also causes flu, however, Type C symptoms are much less severe.

This is a serious problem. Already 17 children have died across the United States due to flu related illness. The flu activity in the region is pretty active. Delaware, Montgomery and Bucks counties are seeing about the same numbers of flu, with Philadelphia county being a little less.

The Centers for Disease Control recommends and encourages everyone to get the flu vaccine. If you come down with flu symptoms, the most important information is that you immediately seek medical attention. If you are ill, stay home and don't expose yourself to others. If you have not received the flu vaccine, it is not too late to do so.

**PUBLIC COMMENT:** Janet Elliott, of Newtown Square, extended a warm welcome to the two new members on County Council. She asked that Council stay aware of environmental and water quality issues in the county.

Margie McAboy, of Middletown Township, asked questions regarding the policies, procedures and training the county has in place concerning sexual harassment.

**COUNCIL:** Mr. Madden acknowledged, recognized and thanked everyone for taking time out of their Wednesday morning schedule to be with us.

Mr. Zidek echoed Mr. Madden's sentiments. It is nice to see a lot of friendly faces here this morning; he appreciates their support.

Mr. Culp said he wanted to extend his thoughts and prayers to the LeTourneau family, the Philadelphia Fire Department and the Springfield Fire Department. Unfortunately, sometimes we take our First Responders for granted and it takes someone giving the ultimate sacrifice for us to recognize them. He wanted to thank all the First Responders, not just today but every day.

Mrs. Morrone said she certainly wanted to echo the sentiments that our thoughts and prayers are with the LeTourneau family. This is a tragic loss to go through here in Delaware County but one that you truly see when our community comes together. Welcoming Matt home on Saturday night was one of those ways that our community came together and showed how much we appreciate the support of our First Responders.

Chairman McBlain said he wanted to somewhat echo what Mr. Zidek and Mr. Madden talked about. He welcomed many new faces to our Council Meeting today and hopes this will continue. We welcome everybody who is discovering or re-discovering County government.

There being no further County business, nor public discussion, motion made by Mr. Culp to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. Madden and carried unanimously.

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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>
H.E.A.R., Inc. dba The Gate House for Men and The Gate House for Women	Halfway House	11/27/17-6/30/20	N/A	\$123/day