

County Council Minutes
January 21, 2026

The Regular Meeting of Delaware County Council was held on January 21, 2026 at 6:00 PM in the 201 W. Front St, located at , Media PA and was live streamed.

1. Call Meeting to Order

PRESENT: Richard Womack, Chair; Christine Reuther, Vice Chair; Dr. Monica Taylor, Council Member; Elaine Paul Schaefer, Council Member; Joanne Phillips, Council Member, Barbara O'Malley, Executive Director; Lee Awbrey, Solicitor; Sharon A. Scattolino, County Clerk and other department heads.

Chair Womack called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Womack stated Council has been in executive session today to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

3. Announcement(s)

3.A. County Council Announcements

4. Junior Council Comments

5. Public Comment

6. Approval of Minutes

6.A. Approval of the Minutes of the Organizational Meeting held on January 5, 2026 and Regular Meeting held on January 7, 2026.

Motion was made by Christine Reuther to approve the Minutes of the Organizational Meeting held on January 5, 2026, and the Regular Meeting held on January 7, 2026. Motion was seconded by Elaine Paul Schaefer and CARRIED unanimously.

7. Ordinance(s)

7.A. Second Reading of Ordinance 2026- 01 amending and restating article II of Chapter 202 of the County Code relating to the Hotel Tax.

Motion was made by Christine Reuther to approve the Second Reading, Public Hearing, Consideration of Adoption of Ordinance 2026-01 amending and restating Article II of Chapter 202 of the County Code relating to the Hotel Tax. The motion was seconded by None and CARRIED unanimously. Motion was seconded by Elaine Paul Schaefer and

CARRIED unanimously.

8. Consent Agenda Items

Motion made by Christine Reuther to approve the following Consent Agenda Items:

- 8.A. Approval to advertise the reconstruction of the Security Checkpoint Building at the George W. Hill Correctional Facility. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

County Revenue

\$200.00

Central Purchasing Operating Budget

- 8.B. Approval to accept the CY26 renewal of the Mosquito-Borne Disease Control Grant from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection in the amount of \$149,516 for the period from January 1, 2026, through December 31, 2026. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$149,516.00 Grant Revenue

5126-4479-430233 SAP Revenue Line - Department of Environmental Protection - Environmental Education Grants (EEG)

- 8.C. Approval to amend agreement #4100086629 between the PA Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs and Delaware County, which updates the Schedule of Funding, providing a funding adjustment of \$3,003,459.00 with a breakdown of \$2,446,157.00 for the timeframe of 7/1/2025-12/31/2025 and \$612,506.00 for the timeframe of 10/1/2025-12/31/2025. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$3,003,459.00

Federal Funding Source(s): Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment Abuse CFDA # 93.959 — \$837,915.00

Opioid State Targeted Response Grant # CFDA 93.788 - \$1,231,597.00

State Funding Source(s):

Department of Drug and Alcohol State General Assistance Appropriation 11-029 - \$824,960.50

Department of Drug and Alcohol State Gaming Fund ACT 2010-01 - \$81,329.00

Department of Drug and Alcohol State Compulsive and Problem Gambling Treatment 26-387 - \$27,657.50

Please see attached supporting documentation.

- 8.D. Approval to accept the PA Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs Grant Agreement #4100101146 which provides \$3,046,090.00 for the provision of

Drug and Alcohol program services for Delaware County residents. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$3,046,090.00

Federal Funding Source(s):

Block Grants for Prevention and Treatment of Substance Abuse CFDA # 93.959 - \$837,915.00

Opioid State Targeted Response Grant CFDA # 99.788 - \$1,225,012.00

State Funding Source(s):

Department of Drug and Alcohol State General Assistance Appropriation 11-029 - \$824,960.50

Department of Drug and Alcohol State Gaming Fund Appropriation 29-382 - \$81,329.00

Department of Drug and Alcohol State Compulsive & Problem Gambling Treatment Appropriation 26-387 - \$27,657.50

Department of Drug and Alcohol The State Store Fund Appropriation 20-381 - \$49,216.00

Please see attached supporting documentation.

- 8.E. Approval of an Opioid Settlement Grant Agreement in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 with Wellpath utilizing Wave 2, 2024 Opioid Settlement distribution funds for Medication Assisted Treatment at the George W. Hill Prison. The agreement will continue through May 2027. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$1,000,000.00

Opioid Settlement Funds

See attached supporting documentation

- 8.F. Approval of an Opioid Settlement Grant Agreement in the amount of \$250,000.00 with Making a Change Group utilizing Wave 1, 2025 Opioid Settlement distribution funds for the establishment of a youth and young adult opioid prevention and early intervention initiative. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$250,000.00

Opioid Settlement Funds

See attached Supporting documentation

- 8.G. Approval of a Professional Services Agreement between the County of Delaware and Lindsay Simon, M.D. for work performed at the Medical Examiner's Office from January 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026, in an amount

not to exceed \$70,000.00. Subject to the Solicitor's approval.

County Revenue

70,000

Operating

This is to provide forensic pathology coverage for some weekends and County Holidays throughout 2026.

- 8.H. Approval of a Professional Services Agreement between the County of Delaware and Gary Collins, M.D. for work performed at the Medical Examiner's Office from January 1, 2026, to December 31, 2026, in an amount not to exceed \$70,000.00. Subject to the Solicitor's approval.

County Revenue

70,000

Operating

This is to provide forensic pathology coverage for some weekends and County Holidays throughout 2026.

- 8.I. Approval to renew the Annual Support Services Agreement for the period of January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026 with CourtSmart Digital Systems Inc. in the amount of \$89,157.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

County Revenue

\$89,157.00

Electronic Recording Budget

- 8.J. Approval to purchase Cellebrite Inc license renewal in the amount of \$105,211.75 using PCCD ICAC grant funds. The term agreement is 02/14/2026 through 02/13/2027. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$105,211.75

PCCD Grant Funding

Cellebrite is a sole source vendor. This license renewal will be utilized by the Internet Crimes against Children unit within CID. The license term is 02/14/2026 through 02/13/2027.

- 8.K. Approval to renew service agreement with Interlibrary Delivery Service (IDS) of PA for the period of January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2026, at a cost of \$26,524.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

26,524.00

District Aid grant

As a District Library Center, Delaware County Libraries is statutorily required to provide

interlibrary loan (ILL) services to the libraries in the district. IDS currently represents the most cost-effective, efficient delivery option for ILL with service linking all types of libraries to support timely resource sharing.

- 8.L. Approval to encumber Liquid Fuels Tax Funds in the amount of \$260,000.00 for the Maintenance & Rehabilitation of County Bridge #174, Forge Road over Chester Creek in Middletown and Thornbury Townships, and County Bridge #209, Old Forge Road over Rocky Run in Middletown Township. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$260,000.00

Fund 42 - Motor Vehicle Fund

- 8.M. Approval to encumber Liquid Fuels Tax Funds in the amount of \$325,000.00 for the Maintenance & Rehabilitation of County Bridge #212, Valley Road over Rocky Run in Middletown Township, and County Bridge #233, Temple Road over Webb Creek in Concord Township. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$325,000.00

Fund 42 - Motor Vehicle Fund

- 8.N. Approval of the 2026 Liquid Fuels Tax Refund Allocations to Municipalities in the County of Delaware in amounts shown pending receipt of a PennDOT approved application for County Aid and project number. The value of funding available to municipalities for 2026 is \$500,000.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$500,000.00

Fund 37 - Liquid Fuels Fund

- 8.O. Approval to ratify a purchase order with Palmer Masonry Restoration to provide sealant replacement and concrete repairs on the plaza deck at Building 8 at the Fair Acres Geriatric Center in an amount not to exceed \$62,900.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Capital

\$62,900.00

County Capital Fund: Loan 69

- 8.P. Approval of credit change order #1 to KPN contract #A-0250-D between the County of Delaware and Weatherproofing Technologies, Inc. for the Government Center Parking Garage Roof Replacement in the amount of \$7,066.90. The contract value will decrease from \$2,120,896.24 to

\$2,113,829.34. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Capital

-\$7,066.90

Loan 72

- 8.Q. Approval of a Professional Service Agreement between the County of Delaware and NV5 Inc. to investigate erosion issues affecting a portion of Broomall's Run, which runs alongside an existing pond in Glen Providence Park within Media Borough in an amount not to exceed \$99,992.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Capital

\$99,992.00

County Capital Funds: Loan 70

- 8.R. Approval of change orders #6 and #7 with Cornerstone Detention Products, Inc. for the Electronic Security, Detention Hardware, and Central Control Relocation Upgrade at the George W. Hill Correctional Facility. The value of the change orders is \$7,076.00. The value of the contract will increase from \$27,323,186.72 to \$27,330,262.72. The change orders will be paid from the Owner's Construction Contingency. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Capital

\$7,076.00

County Capital Fund: Bond 72

If approved, the balance that will remain in the Owner's Construction Contingency is \$1,334,658.28. This represents a drawdown on the contingency of 2.22%

- 8.S. Approval of an extension of an agreement with Capitol Strategies Group LLC in an amount not to exceed not to exceed \$82,000.00 (including costs) to provide Pennsylvania governmental representation services for Jan 1, 2026 through December 31, 2026. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

County Revenue

82000.00

County Revenue

- 8.T. Approval of Central Tax Collection Department's request for refund for the years 2019, 2021, 2022, 2024, 2025 and 2026 County Real Estate Taxes for thirteen (13) property owners due to overpayment of the amount of taxes due in the total amount of \$13,730.50.
- 8.U. Approval of Central Tax Collection Department's request for seventeen (17) Court Ordered refunds for the years 2023, 2024, and 2025 for properties in the

Boroughs of Media and Yeadon and the Townships of Aston, Edgmont, and Upper Darby in the total amount of \$69,757.86.

Motion was seconded by Elaine Paul Schaefer and CARRIED unanimously.

9. Appointments

9.A. Approval to reappoint Joseph D. Buoni, Darren F. Bonass, Nicholas Cirilli and Ken J. Pfaff and appoint Sal Miller to the Uniform Construction Code Appeal Board, for a five (5) year term, ending January 31, 2031.

Motion was made by Christine Reuther to approve to reappoint Joseph D. Buoni, Darren F. Bonass, Nicholas Cirilli and Ken J. Pfaff and to appoint Sal Miller to the Uniform Construction Code Appeal Board for a five (5) year term, ending January 31, 2031. The motion was seconded Elaine Paul Schaefer and CARRIED unanimously.

9.B. Approval to appoint Max Cooper to the Interactive Gaming Revenue Authority, for a five (5) year term, ending January 31, 2031.

Motion was made by Christine Reuther to appoint Max Cooper to the Interactive Gaming Revenue Authority, for a five (5) year term, ending January 31, 2031. The motion was seconded by Joanne Phillips and CARRIED unanimously.

9.C. Approval to reappoint Kenneth B. Collins, Mary M. Coates, Sharon White and appoint Mark Killion to the Drug and Alcohol Planning Council, for a three (3) year term, ending January 31, 2029.

Motion was made by Christine Reuther to reappoint Kenneth B. Collins, Mary M. Coates, Sharon White and appoint Mark Killion to the Drug and Alcohol council, for a three (3) year term, ending January 31, 2029. The motion was seconded by Elaine Paul Schaefer and CARRIED unanimously.

9.D. Approval to appoint Mark Houck and Matthew Bilker to the Juvenile Detention Board of Managers, for a three (3) year term, ending January 31, 2029.

Motion was made by Christine Reuther to appoint Mark Houck and Matthew Bilker to the Juvenile Detention Board of Managers for a three (3) year term, ending January 31, 2029. The motion was seconded by Elaine Paul Schaefer and CARRIED unanimously.

9.E. Approval to appoint John McMeekin to the Board of Elections for a two (2) year term, ending January 1, 2028.

Motion was made by Christine Reuther to reappoint John McMeekin to the Board of

Elections for a two (2) year term, ending January 1, 2028. John McMeekin's name was provided from a list of 3 (three) names submitted by the Republican County Chair.

Motion seconded by Joanne Phillips and CARRIED unanimously. Motion to amend the agenda made by Elaine Paul Schaefer, to add Ashley Lunkenheimer and Scott Alberts to the agenda. Seconded by Joanne Phillips. Motion made by Christine Reuther to reappoint Ashley Lunkenheimer and Scott Alberts to the Board of Elections, for a two (2) year term, ending January 1, 2028. The motion was seconded by Joanne Phillips and CARRIED unanimously.

10. Request by the Controller's Office for payment of current bills

Motion was made by Christine Reuther to approve the Request by the Controller's Office for payment of current bills. The motion was seconded by Joanne Phillips and CARRIED unanimously.

11. Communications from the Executive Director

12. Solicitor

13. Council Remarks

14. Adjourn

Motion was made by Christine Reuther to Adjourn. The motion was seconded by Joanne Phillips and CARRIED unanimously.

Sharon A. Scattolino, County Clerk