

County Council Minutes
March 18, 2026

The Regular Meeting of Delaware County Council was held on March 18, 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; Louis F. Roesenthal, Controller; 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 to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

3. Announcement(s)

3.A. County Council Announcements

4. Presentations

4.A. 911 Radio Project, by Ed Beebe, Interim Director of Emergency Services.

5. Junior Council Comments

6. Public Comment

7. Communications from the Executive Director

8. Approval of Minutes

8.A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 4, 2026.

Motion was made by Christine Reuther to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 4, 2026. The motion was seconded by Joanne Phillips and CARRIED unanimously.

9. Consent Agenda Items

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

- 9.A. Approval to advertise a Request for Proposal for Countywide Custodial services. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

County Revenue

\$200.00

Central Purchasing Operating Budget

- 9.B. Approval to advertise a Request for Proposal for Evaluation Services for the County's Department of Juvenile Detention and Rehabilitation Services department. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$200.00

Federal Funding Source(s):

Delinquency Prevention (16.548) - \$139,550.00

Please see attached supporting documentation.

- 9.C. Approval to accept funding from the AOPC/Office of Judicial District Security Department, in the amount of \$81,852.25 for security enhancements or upgrades at District Court locations. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

N/A

\$81,853.25

N/A

AOPC Judicial District Security Department needs the County to submit the Project Plan and use of the funds by April 30, 2026. Project must be completed by June 30, 2027. County must submit all the invoices and proof of payments for Reimbursement by AOPC. The County will be reimbursed for all approved improvements made at the MDJ Court locations.

- 9.D. Approval to accept the Title XIX grant from the Pennsylvania Department for the Aging in the amount of \$91,302.00 for the period of October 1, 2025, through June 30, 2026. The term of the agreement will commence June 30, 2030 unless sooner terminated. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

Grant

- 9.E. Approval to accept a grant award in the amount of \$790,673.00 from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

N/A

Grant through the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency

- 9.F. Approval to accept the Intermediate Punishment Treatment Program grant awarded by the Pennsylvania Commission of Crime and Delinquency, in the amount of \$555,000.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

N/A

Approval to Accept a Grant from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency in the amount of \$555,000.00.

- 9.G. Approval to modify the Opioid Settlement Grant Agreement with Amistad Law Project, approved by County Council on December 12, 2024, in the amount of \$105,956.20 to update the provider's name to UDTJ per the agency's current W9. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

N/A*

Opioid Settlement Funds

Please see the attached documents.

- 9.H. Approval to enter into Opioid Settlement Grant Agreement with the providers on the attached list utilizing Wave 1, 2025 funding. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$4,163,034.69

Funding – Opioid Settlement Wave 1 – 2025 Distribution - \$4,163,034.69 available.

Please see the attached supporting documentation.

- 9.I. Approval to apply for up to \$150,000.00 in Community Mental Health Services Block Grant funding from the Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, PA Department of Human Services for First Episode Psychosis sites. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$150,000.00

Federal Funding Source:

- Block Grants for Community Mental Health Services CFDA #93.958, Up to \$150,000.00

Please see the attached supporting documents.

- 9.J. Approval to ratify Council's approval of our application to the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services for Continuum of Care funding and to accept an award in the amount of \$110,000.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$110,000.00

Federal Funding Source:

- Block Grants for Community Mental Health Services CFDA \$93.958 - \$110,000.00

Please see supporting Documents.

- 9.K. Approval to apply for a grant from the National Fish and Wildlife Foundation's Delaware Watershed Conservation Fund in the amount of \$120,000.00 to restore a vernal pool in Smedley Park and incorporate educational and interactive elements. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$120,000.00 - Match in kind including work expended and partners

Grant

The Penn State Extension Master Watershed Stewards, Pennsylvania Sea Grant, the Delaware County Conservation District, and Princeton Hydro are working together in this grant application and project. While match is not required, it is preferred. It allows in-kind match and allows for work already completed to be counted. Hours expended by Master Watershed Steward volunteers, Sea Grant professionals, county professionals are as well as the feasibility study already paid for by Sea Grant and Penn State Extension.

- 9.L. Approval to apply for PCCD Grant for Violence and Delinquency Prevention Programs, in the amount of \$250,000.00 for a term of July 1, 2026 to June 30, 2028. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

- 9.M. Approval to apply for 2 Community Program Funding requests for consideration by the Appropriations Committee; one for \$3,000,000.00 to support the creation of an LTSR at GW Hill and the other for \$500,000.00 for a Delaware River Vision Plan for Coastal Zone in Delaware County. Subject to Solicitor's approval,

Grant

\$500,000

Federal Community Program Funding Grant

- 9.N. Approval to apply for Senate Congressionally Directed Spending for Projects to be determined. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

Not to Exceed \$10 Million

Federal Funding Congressionally Directed Spending

- 9.O. Approval to accept a Community Conservation Partnership Program grant from DCNR in the amount of \$300,000.00 for the Delco Woods Loop Trail. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$300,000 in grant funding

DCNR Grant

- 9.P. Approval to apply for a DVRPC Transportation Community Development Initiative (TCDI) grant program for a Waterfront Micro-Transit Feasibility Study in an amount not to exceed \$200,000.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$200,000

This grant application requires no County match.

- 9.Q. Approval of eight (8) Delco Greenways Grant extensions, as described on the attached list. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Capital

N/A

Delco Greenways Grants

These extensions are for time only; there is no change to the amount of the grants or the scope of the grants. Each grant extension request is summarized in the attached document and the contract amendments for each project are included in the PDF.

- 9.R. Approval to enter into contract ePAR-021126, Mitigation of Tree Hazards in County Parks, with the lowest responsible bidder, Rogan Landscaping and Tree Service LLC for an amount not exceed \$39,300.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Act 13 Fund

\$39,300.00

Act 13 Fund

- 9.S. Approval to renew the professional services agreement with Just Appraised from April 1, 2026, through March 31, 2029, in the amount of \$56,671.00 for year one, \$58,371.00 per year two, and \$60,122.00 for year three. Subject to the Solicitor's approval.

General Revenue

\$56,671.00 in year one, \$58,371.00 in year two, and \$60,122.00 in year three.

N/A

Just Appraised is a sole-source provider that enables the prioritization and upload of data and imaging of recorded deeds to Tyler CAMA and Tax Software. The software has reduced errors and expedited the deed transfer process to our current operating system. Moving to a multi-year agreement would provide the county with \$6,959.00 in savings.

- 9.T. Approval to purchase 105 Dell Pro Micro QCM1250 computers from Dell Technologies using the PA DGS COSTARS-3 IT Hardware contract, for a cost of \$85,260.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Capital

\$85,260.00

Capital

- 9.U. Approval to renew SQL Server 2019 Enterprise licensing via Hexagon Safety and Infrastructure for the computer-aided dispatch (CAD) SQL environment used to process and dispatch 911 calls that come into the 911 center. In an amount not to exceed \$28,320.48. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

County Revenue

\$28,320.48

- 9.V. Approval of contract with Phoenix Graphics for the printing of Election Day ballots for both the May 2026 Primary and the November 2026 General Election in an amount not to exceed \$132,000.00. Subject to approval by the Solicitor.

Pennsylvania Election Integrity Grant

\$132,000.00

Pennsylvania Election Integrity Grant

Pricing for this contract was obtained through Costars. The vendor has previously provided ballot-printing services successfully for Delaware County.

- 9.W. Approval of contract extension with Hughes Relocation Services for delivery of Election Day equipment to polling places before and after Election Day, for both the May 2026 Primary and the November 2026 General Election in an amount not to exceed \$96,439.40. Subject to approval by the Solicitor.

Pennsylvania Election Integrity Grant

Approximately \$48,220 per election.

Pennsylvania Election Integrity Grant

Delaware County is exercising the first of two options to extend this contract. Delaware County's consolidations of precincts have offset rising fuel, labor and bonding costs to reduce the cost of this contract by more than 9 percent.

- 9.X. Approval of contract with Fort Orange for the printing and mailing of Mail/Absentee ballots for both the May 2026 Primary and the November 2026 General Election in an amount not to exceed \$238,400.00. Subject to approval by the Solicitor.

Pennsylvania Election Integrity Grant

\$238,400.00, less if maximum quantities in proposal are not ordered by the County.

Pennsylvania Election Integrity Grant

Pricing was obtained through Costars. Fort Orange has provided these printing services previously for Delaware County.

- 9.Y. Approval of a professional services agreement from Clear Channel Outdoors for our Delco Revive program for an amount not to exceed \$48,907.00 focusing on increasing awareness around DCHD-led harm reduction programs for the period of April 6, 2026, through September 30, 2026. Subject to solicitor's approval.

Opioid Settlement Award - Delco Revive

\$48,907.00

Other Revenue

We are seeking approval for two concurrent communications campaigns for both Delco Revive and Test & Go awards. The combined total is \$64,354.00 which consists of an agreement specific to Delco Revive (\$48,907) and an agreement for Test & Go (\$15,447.00). Clear Channel will be providing an updated Certificate of Insurance prior to the meeting date.

- 9.Z. Approval of professional services agreement from Clear Channel Outdoors for DCHD led Test & Go program for an amount not to exceed \$15,447.00 focusing on increasing awareness around DCHD led harm reduction programs for the period of April 6, 2026 through September 30, 2026. Subject to solicitor's approval.

Opioid Settlement Award - Test & Go

\$15,447.00

Other Revenue - Opioid Settlement

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- 9.AA. Approval to renew Mimecast Email Security Solution in an amount not to exceed \$101,081.42 for one (1) year. Sourcewell Contract - 121923. Subject to Solicitors approval.

Other Revenue

\$101,081.42

Operating Budget

Email Security protecting against Phishing, Malicious Links, Ransomware, etc..

- 9.BB. Approval to request renewal of Fresh Service Agreement in the amount of \$107,808.00 for 2 years at \$53,904.00 per year. Subject to Solicitors approval.

Other Revenue

\$107,808 or \$53,904 per year

Operating Budget

This is our County Wide Ticketing System. It is used to track all Service Tickets as well as additional features.

- 9.CC. Approval to enter into a 5-year Service Agreement with M3T Corporation for Preventative Maintenance services on the Wandergard System at Fair Acres Geriatric Center using PA State Contract #4400023873 at a cost not to exceed \$55,212.68. Subject Solicitor's approval.

Operating

YEAR 1 (\$9,980.11)

Medicare/Medicaid

- 9.DD. Approval of a contract with S.A. Comunale to perform the 5-Year Fire Sprinkler Inspection and Gauge Replacement in 11 Buildings at Fair Acres Geriatric Center off of PA State Contract #4400028640, 2026 CIP #FP-2026-12-FA. In an amount not to exceed \$41,118.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Capital

\$41,118.00

Medicare/Medicaid

- 9.EE. Approval to request repairs for the three (3) cooling towers located at Fair Acres Geriatric Center Bldg #10 Chiller plant by Herman Goldner Co Inc off of PA State Contract #4400028870. In an amount not to exceed \$69,995.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Operating

\$69,995.00

Medicare/Medicaid

- 9.FF. Approval to Purchase Cafeteria Furniture for Fair Acres Geriatric Center Bldg #8 from Corbett Inc / Your Office Connection from PA State Costars Contract #035-E23-197. In an amount not to exceed \$30,938.14. Subject to Solicitors

approval.

Capital

\$30,938.14

Medicare/Medicaid

- 9.GG. Approval of a Professional Services Agreement between the County of Delaware and Keystone Municipal Solutions, LLC in an amount not to exceed \$78,000.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

County Revenue

\$78,000.00

Public Works Operating Budget

- 9.HH. Approval to award contract #eDPW-022526 between the County of Delaware and L.J. Paoella Construction, Inc. for the DCHD Yeadon Administration Offices renovation in an amount not to exceed \$91,000.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$91,000.00

Funds are provided through ARPA.

- 9.II. Approval of Amendment #3 to Reimbursement Agreement No. R16060001 between the County of Delaware and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) for the replacement of Bridge #142, South Avenue over Muckinipattis Creek, in Glenolden Borough. The value increases from \$973,000.00 to \$1,103,000.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$130,000.00

Fund 36 & Fund 05

- 9.JJ. Approval of Reimbursement Agreement No. R26060009 between the County of Delaware and the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation (PennDOT) for the replacement of Bridge #149, Hilldale Road over Darby Creek, in Lansdowne Borough and Upper Darby. The value of the reimbursement is \$5,040,800.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

- 9.KK. Approval of change order #8 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 order is \$68,950.27. The value of the contract will increase from \$27,330,262.72 to \$27,399,212.99. The change order will be paid from the Owner's Construction Contingency. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Capital

\$68,950.27

Loan 72

If approved, the balance that will remain in the Owner's Construction Contingency is \$1,265,708.01. This represents a drawdown on the contingency of 5.05%.

- 9.LL. Approval to issue a purchase order under PA COSTARS Contract #038-E24-040 to D'Antonio Excavating Incorporated for labor, materials, and equipment to complete an emergency excavation, trenching, and repaving for the installation of a new underground gas line at the Fair Acres Geriatric Center for an amount not to exceed \$48,650.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Capital

\$48,650.00

County Capital Funds: Loan 70

- 9.MM. Approval to issue a purchase order under PA State Contract #4400028870 to Herman Goldner Company, Inc. for labor, materials, and equipment to complete an emergency installation of a new underground gas line and valve at the Fair Acres Geriatric Center for an amount not to exceed \$32,275.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Capital

\$32,275.00

County Capital Funds: Loan 70

- 9.NN. Approval of a new contractual agreement with Share Food Program for the distribution of State Food Purchase Program items as determined by the funding source in the amount of \$928,194.52. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$928,194.52

State Funding Source:

- State Food Purchase Program - \$928,194.52

Please see attached supporting Documents.

- 9.OO. Approval to amend Contract #MH-A 7/25 with PMHCC, Inc. increasing the overall value of the agreement \$71.10 to cover Delaware County's portion of the Southeast Regional Office rent and Information Analyst salary. Subject to

Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$71.10

State Funding Source(s):

Human Services Block Grant - 97.94%

County Funding: 2.06%

Please see attached supporting documentation.

- 9.PP. Approval to amend Contract #MH 15/24 with Elwyn of Pennsylvania and Delaware increasing the overall value \$15,171.77 to cover increased expenses not accounted for in the 2024/2025 fiscal year budget. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$15,171.77

State Funding Source(s):

Human Services Block Grant - \$9,143,188.47

County Funding: \$192,311.30

Please see attached supporting documentation.

- 9.QQ. Approval of revised Erosion & Sediment Pollution Control Fee Schedule for services related to Title 25, Chapter 102, Erosion and Sediment Control rules and regulations of the Pennsylvania Code and the Pennsylvania Clean Streams Law. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

N/A

N/A

Erosion and sediment control service fees are deposited into Soil & Water Conservation's revenue account and are intended to offset the costs incurred by the Delaware County Conservation District in its delegated authority of the State's Erosion and Sediment Control Program in accordance with Chapter 102 Erosion Control, rules and regulations of the Department of Environmental Protection.

Conservation Districts have the authority to charge fees under Act 217, Conservation District Law. The Delaware County Conservation District's Board of Directors voted to approve this fee schedule revision on Tuesday, March 3, 2026. If approved by County Council, this fee schedule will be effective at least thirty days from the date of approval and will be submitted to the State Conservation Commission.

- 9.RR. Approval of the Central Tax Collection Department's request for refund for the years 2023, 2024, 2025, and 2026 County Real Estate Taxes for thirty-eight (38) property owners due to the overpayment of the amount of taxes due in

the total amount of \$26,740.69.

9.SS. Approval of Central Tax Collection Department's request for thirty-nine (39) Court Ordered refunds for the years 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025 and 2026 for the properties in the City of Chester, Borough of Media and Prospect Park, and Townships of Concord, Middletown, Radnor, Upper Darby and Upper Providence in the total amount of \$57,896.28.

9.TT. Approval of a grant by the Delaware County Interactive Gaming Revenue Authority to be provided to the Foundation for Delaware County for the County EMS Relief Fund in the amount of \$21,000.00 as shown on the attached list. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$46,000.00

Approval to Accept Grant

Other Revenue

9.UU. Approval of a grant by the Delaware County Interactive Gaming Revenue Authority to be provided to the Foundation of Delaware County for Delco Gives Day in the amount of \$25,000.00 as shown on the attached list. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

9.VV. Approval to amend a Service Agreement with Montgomery County for the use of juvenile detention beds, which was last amended on April 10, 2025, to extend the term of the Agreement through June 30, 2027, and add for the provision of two reserved bed spaces at a rate of \$790.26 per bed space per day at the amount not to exceed \$576,889.80 per year. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Motion was seconded by Elaine Paul Schaefer and CARRIED unanimously.

10. Appointments

10.A. Approval to appoint Brittany Tomeo, Robert Bower, Anna DePalma, Thomas Riordan and Seth McCall to the Drug and Alcohol Planning Commission, for a three (3) year term ending March 31, 2029.

Motion was made by Christine Reuther to approve the appointments of Brittany Tomeo, Robert Bowers, Anna DePalma, Thomas Riordan and Seth McCall to the Drug and

Alcohol Planning Commission, for a three (3) year term ending March 31, 2029. The motion was seconded by Elaine Paul Schaefer and CARRIED unanimously.

11. 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.

12. Solicitor

12.A. Approval to file four (4) Petitions for the Termination of Parental Rights and one (1) Consent for Adoption with the Orpahns Court.

Motion was made by Christine Reuther for approval to file four (4) Petitions for the Termination of Parental Rights and one (1) Consent for Adoption with the Orphans Court. The motion was seconded by Richard Womack nd CARRIED unanimously.

13. Council Remarks

14. Adjourn

Motion was made by Richard Womack to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Dr. Monica Taylor and CARRIED unanimously.

Sharon A. Scattolino, County Clerk