

County Council Minutes
April 8, 2026

The Regular Meeting of Delaware County Council was held on April 8, 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; Elaine Paul Schaefer, Council Member; Joanne Phillips, Council Member; Barbara O'Malley, Executive Director; Lee Awbrey, Solicitor; Louis F. Rosenthal, 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 today to discuss litigation, personnel and real estate matters.

2. Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag

3. Announcement(s)

3.A. County Council Announcements

4. Presentations

4.A. Update on the Delaware County Libraries, by Anny Laepple, Director of Library Services.

4.B. Penn State Extention, 4-H Week, by Amy Bradford, Client Relationship Manager.

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 18, 2026.

Motion was made by Elaine Paul Schaefer to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on March 18, 2026. The motion was seconded by Joanne Philips and CARRIED unanimously.

9. Consent Agenda Items

Motion was made by Elaine Paul Schaefer to approve the following Consent Agenda Items, with the exception for Agenda Item # 9J. Motion was made to remove Agenda item #9J from the consent agenda. Please see approved motions under Agenda item # 9J.

- 9.A. Approval to advertise the Voting Machine Warehouse Elevator Addition.
Subject to Solicitor's approval.

County Revenue

\$200.00

Central Purchasing Operating Budget

- 9.B. Approval to apply and accept the local law enforcement grant program from the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board in the amount of \$250,000.00 from May 1, 2026 to April 30, 2027. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Approval to Submit Grant

\$250,000.00

Grant

No county money is involved. Grant deadline May 8th.

- 9.C. Approval to apply for the 2026 Act 80 MAT Grant, in the amount of \$208,230.00, for a term of two (2) years. Act 80 established the Nonnarcotic Medication Assisted Substance Abuse Treatment Grant Pilot Program to aid county jails in treating incarcerated persons for addiction. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

0.00

026 MAT Grant program Act 80

This act directs the PA Department of Corrections to implement programs aimed at substance-use disorders in county correctional facilities, often focusing on medication-assisted treatment like naltrexone.

- 9.D. Approval to accept a Grant for the Juvenile Court Judges Commission (JCJC) for \$684,044.00 for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$684,044.00

Grant

Approval to accept a grant.

- 9.E. Approval to apply for the PCCD Indigent Defense Grant, in the amount of \$107,237.00 for a term beginning July 1, 2026, through June 30, 2027, and for the project modification of the 2025-2026 grant. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$144,714.00

PCCD Indigent Defense Grant

In addition to the \$107,237 request, this is also a request for a modification of the \$37,477 remaining from the previous allocation.

- 9.F. Approval to accept a Local Share Account Grant (C000097672) in the amount of \$150,000.00 for the Delaware County Emergency Services Center LED Retrofitting and Sub-metering Project, for a term of December 18, 2025 to June 30, 2028. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant Funded - Local Share Account

150,000

Grant Funded - Local Share Account

- 9.G. Approval to distribute Community Project Funding Grant agreement B-22-CP-PA-0775 in accordance with attached agreement. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Federal Grant

\$475,000

Federal HUD Grant

- 9.H. Approval to apply for a \$250,000 grant from the IBX Foundation Community Health Institute. The purpose of this grant is to support a partnership with Together for Chester and other collaborators such as local university partners and IBX Accelerate Health Equity to offer primary care services using a nurse practitioner model to Chester residents impacted by the closing of the Crozer Healthcare System. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

The partnership for this grant application is under development. The exact amount submitted for the grant application will be solidified as the budget is refined across all of the partners.

- 9.I. Approval to amend the existing Council-approved contract with Custom Data Processing, Inc. (CDP) for the DCHD Environmental Health IMS system (effective through August 2026) to include database development, web application updates, public portal integration, Crystal reporting, and quality assurance add-ons to enhance functionality and enable full digitization of

applications/records, in an amount not to exceed \$21,000.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$21,000.00

American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) State and Local Fiscal Recovery Funds (SLFRF) - DCHD - effective through December 2026

There is an existing 4-year contract with CDP expiring August 31, 2026 there have been discussions with CDP on a renewal of this agreement and this will be budgeted for in the upcoming 5127/DCHD budget and will be brought back to Council for approval prior to the agreement term of August 2026.

- 9.J. Approval to accept Immunization Grant Award (Agreement 4100100301) in the amount of \$162,949.51 for a term of October 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. Funds support staff and related expenses to reduce morbidity and mortality from vaccine-preventable diseases and ensure County residents' access to recommended immunizations. Subject to Solicitor approval.

Grant

Grant Revenue - \$162,949.51

\$162,949.51 Funds Commitment No.: 4100100301; Federal dollars, ALN 93.268, HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF/CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION, FAIN NH23IP922708

This is an IGA for the existing FY 2025/2026 ending June 30, 2026, DCHD has been communicating closely with the State PA DOH as we have been tracking eligible expenses which will now be reimbursable under this award extension.

Motion was made by Elaine Paul Schaefer to remove Item #9J from the Consent Agenda to reflect the new amount that was granted at an additional \$40,351.78. The motion was seconded by Joanne Phillips and CARRIED unanimously. Motion was made by Elaine Paul Schaefer to add the new amount that was granted for an additional \$40,351.78. Motion was seconded by Joanne Phillips to add the newly granted amount to an additional \$40,351.78 and CARRIED unanimously. Motion made by Elaine Paul Schaefer to approve to accept the Immunization Grant award (agreement 4100100301) in the total amount of \$203,301.29 for a term of October 1, 2025, to June 30, 2026. Fund supports staff related expenses to reduce morbidity and mortality from vaccine-preventable diseases and ensure County residents' access to recommended immunizations. Motion was seconded by Joanne Phillips and CARRIED unanimously.

- 9.K. Approval of the Collective Bargaining Agreement between the Delaware County Park Police Independent Union and the County of Delaware for a term beginning March 5, 2026. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

County Revenue

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County Revenue

- 9.L. Approval to renew subscription to Thomson Reuters Westlaw Print materials for the period of May 1, 2026 to April 30, 2029 at the cost of \$321,888.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

County Revenue

\$321,888.00

Library Maintenance Agreement for publications for the Francis J Catania Law Library. Thomson Reuters is the sole source for current federal and state statutory, regulatory, and case laws plus specialized subject area treatises provided in this agreement. This is a three-year contract with 4% increase year over year.

Year 1 - \$103,116.00

Year 2 - \$107,244.00

Year 3 - \$111,528.00

- 9.M. Approval of a funding letter of intent for Self Inc. to support the acquisition, rehabilitation and/or construction of a non-congregate shelter. The county commitment will be a grant in the amount of \$2,422,829.00 funded with the County's HOME American Rescue Plan allocation. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

0.0

HOME - American Rescue Plan

- 9.N. Authorization to Renew Microsoft 365 Licenses for Fair Acres Geriatric Center for 3 Years not to exceed \$455,462.40 (\$151,820.80 per Year) from CDWG. The purchase is off of the PA CCAP 2020-IT0001 Contract. Subject to Solicitors approval.

Operating

\$151,820.80

Medicare/Medicaid

- 9.O. Authorization to renew the contract with Cummins Inc to perform Planned Equipment Maintenance for all generators at Fair Acres Geriatric Center for 5 Years. This service includes weekly battery checks (\$78,253.76 yearly), monthly and annual inspections/full service/building load tests (\$52,416.11 yearly) required by the Department of Health. Pricing will be locked in place for all 5 years. This purchase is off of the PA State Contract #4300765793. Subject to Solicitors approval.

Operating

\$130,669.87

Medicare/Medicaid

- 9.P. Approval to renew a three (3) year Full Service Fire Alarm PM Contract at Fair Acres Geriatric Center with Johnson Controls Fire Protection Inc, for an amount not to exceed \$78,303.90 per year. The contract includes all parts and labor and is through PA State Contract #4400023682. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Operating

\$78,303.90 (ALL 3 YEARS ARE SAME PRICE PER YEAR)

Medicare/Medicaid

- 9.Q. Approval of the County of Delaware's contribution towards the roof repair and seal coating at Building 1 at the Emergency Services Training Center in Sharon Hill. Delaware County's contribution, in an amount not to exceed \$94,283.70 represents 49% of the contract award to the lowest responsive and responsible bidders, including an allowance of 5% for unforeseen conditions. The balance of the cost will be paid by the Delaware County Board of Fire and Life Safety. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Capital

\$94,283.70

County Capital Funds- Loan 71

- 9.R. Approval of amendment #1 to the professional services agreement between the County of Delaware and J&M Preservation Studio for the 1724 Chester Courthouse Rehabilitation Project in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. The contract value will increase from \$65,890.00 to \$75,890.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$10,000.00

Visit Delco - County of Delaware Collaboration Fund

- 9.S. Approval of Change Order #1 to contract #DPW-040225 between the County of Delaware and BSS Contractors, LLC for the 1724 Chester Courthouse Rehabilitation Project, in an amount not exceed \$205,309.86. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$205,309.86

Visit Delco - County of Delaware Collaboration Fund

- 9.T. Approval to award contract #eDPW-031126 between the County of Delaware and A. K. Petersheim Builders, LLC for the construction of the George W. Hill Correctional Facility Security Checkpoint Building at 500 Cheyney Road, Thornton, PA, in an amount not to exceed \$282,600.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Capital

\$282,600.00

Loan 70

- 9.U. Approval to amend Agreement #HS-A 123/25 with Kimberly A. Easter, M.A. increasing the overall value of the Agreement \$18,000.00 for the provision of additional training to department staff to ensure a smooth transition of database maintenance and operation. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$18,000.00

Federal Funding Source(s):

Adoption Assistance (93.659) - Based child count

Guardianship Assistance (93.090) - Based on child count

Foster Care Title IV-E (93.658) - Based on child count

Title IV-E Prevention (93.472) - Based on child count

State Funding Source(s):

Office of Children & Youth Information Technology Grant - Based on child count

County Funding: 40% net of Federal

Please see attached supporting documentation.

- 9.V. Approval to amend Contract #AFS 3/26 with Wesley House Community Corporation editing the per diem rate reimbursement structure to a program-based budget payment structure effective 10/01/25. The overall value of the contract remains the same. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

N/A*

State Funding Source:

- Human Services Block Grant/ Homeless Assistance Services Fund App 10258 - 97.94%

County Funding:

- 2.06%

Please see attached supporting documents.

- 9.W. Approval to amend FY 2025/2026 Early Intervention Base Contracts/Letters of Agreements per the attached list revising rates retroactive to 07/01/2025 to align with the Office of Child Development and Early Intervention Announcement #EI 26-03 for base services. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

N/A*

Federal Funding Source(s):

SPECIAL EDUCATION GRANTS FOR INFANTS AND FAMILIES: Federal Infant and Toddler CFDA #84.181 - 17%

State Funding Source(s):

Office of Child Development and Early Learning Base Maintenance APPR #10235 - 73%

County Funding - 10%

Please see attached supporting documentation.

- 9.X. Approval to amend FY 2025/2026 Early Intervention Waiver Contracts/Letters of Agreements per the attached list revising rates retroactive to 07/01/1025 to align with the Office of Child Development and Early Intervention Announcement #EI 26-03 for waiver services. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

N/A*

Federal Funding Source(s):

SPECIAL EDUCATION GRANTS FOR INFANTS AND FAMILIES: Federal Infant and Toddler CFDA #84.181 - 17%

State Funding Source(s):

Office of Child Development and Early Learning Base Maintenance APPR #10235 - 73%

County Funding - 10%

Please see attached supporting documentation.

- 9.Y. Approval to amend Contract #CW 36/25 with Cornell Abraxas Group, LLC revising the agency's residential service rates and adding Unarmed Gun Violence Education service to the Contract. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

N/A*

Federal Funding Source(s):

Foster Care IV-E CFDA #93.658 - Per eligibility of child/placement

State Funding Source(s):

ACT 148 - 80%/60% placement net of Federal and other revenue

Other Funding Source(s):

Title IV-D/Social Security — Variable per child

County Funding: 20%/40% placement type net of Federal and other revenue
Please see attached supporting documentation.

- 9.Z. Approval to amend Contract #CW 12/25 with Bethany Christian Services dba Bethany Christian Services of Greater Delaware Valley to add two new levels of foster care to the agency's agreement. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

N/A

Federal Funding Source:

- Foster Care IV-E CFDA #93:658 - Per eligibility of placement

State Funding Source:

- Office of Children, Youth, and Families ACT 148 - 80%/60% placement net of federal and other revenue

Other Funding Source:

- Title IV/D - Social Security - Variable per child

County Funding:

- 20%/40% placement net of federal and other revenue

Please see attached supporting Documents.

- 9.AA. Approval to amend Contract #CW-A 103/25 with PA Child Corporation increasing the overall value of the Agreement through the 2025/2026 fiscal year. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

\$24,500.00

Federal Funding Source:

- Foster Care IV-E CFDA 93.658 - Per eligibility of child/placement
- Guardianship Assistance CFDA 93.090 - Per eligibility of child/placement
- Medical Assistance Program CFDA 93.778 - Per eligibility of child/placement

State Funding Source:

- Act 148 - 80%/60% placement net of federal and other revenue

Other Funding Source:

- Title IV-D/Social Security - Variable per child

County Funding:

- 20% per placement type and net of Federal and other revenue

Please see attached supporting Documents.

9.BB. Approval to amend Contract #EI 21/25 with Goldstar Rehabilitation adding Special Instruction Nutrition and Individual Family Plan Teaming Services to the agency's fiscal year 25/26 Agreement. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

N/A*

Federal Funding Source:

- Special Education Grants for Infants and Families - CFDA \$84.181 - 17%

State Funding Sources:

- Office Of Child Development and Early Learning Base Maintenance APPR#10235 - 73%

County Funding:

10%

Please see attached supporting Documents.

9.CC. Approval to amend Contract #EI-W 21/16 with Goldstar Rehabilitation adding Special Instruction Nutrition and Individual Family Plan Teaming services to the agency's Agreement. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

N/A*

Federal Funding Source:

- Special Education Grant for infants and Families - CFDA #84.181 - 17%

State Funding Source:

- Office Of Child Development and Early Learning Base Maintenance APPR#10235 - 73%

County Funding:

- 10%

Please see attached supporting Documents.

- 9.DD. Approval to amend Contract #ID 121/25 with Woods Services, Inc. replacing Appendix Z with the attached revised Appendix Z revising residential service rates as defined by Bucks County, the agency's home county for a term of July 1, 2025 to June 30, 2026. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

N/A*

State Funding Source(s):

Human Services Block Grant - 97.94%

County Funding Source(s): 2.06%

Please see attached supporting documentation.

- 9.EE. Approval to amend Contract #ID 105/25 with Elwyn of Pennsylvania and Delaware replacing Appendix Z with the attached revised Appendix Z which reflects a new residential site at \$139.62 per day and revises and/or removes site locations within the agency's fiscal year 25/26 Agreement. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

N/A*

State Funding Source:

- Human Services Block Grant, 97.94%

County Funding:

- 2.06%

Please see the attached supporting documents.

- 9.FF. Approval of the Administrative Entity Operating Agreement between the

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, Department of Human Services, Office of Developmental Programs and the County of Delaware, in the amount not to exceed \$2,321,874.00, effective January 1, 2026. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Grant

\$2,321,874.00

Federal Funding Source:

- Social Services Block Grant CFDA 93.67, 48.97%

State Funding Source:

- Human Services Block Grant, 48.97%

County Funding:

- 2.06%

Please see the attached supporting documents.

- 9.GG. Approval to amend Contract #MH 20/25 with Horizon House, Inc. replacing Appendix Z - Budget with the attached revised Appendix Z Budget reflecting revised per diem rates for psychiatric rehabilitation services. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

Other Revenue

N/A*

State Funding Source(s):

Human Service Block Grant - 97.94%

County Funding: 2.06%

Please see attached supporting documentation.

- 9.HH. Approval of Central Tax Collection Department's request for refund for the years 2021, 2024, 2025 and 2026 County Real Estate Taxes for twelve (12) property owners due to overpayment of the amount of taxes due in the total amount of \$15,048.58.

Motion was seconded by Joanne Phillips and CARRIED unanimously.

10. Appointments

- 10.A. Approval to appoint Mary Tonita Austin to the Juvenile Detention Board of

Managers, for a three (3) year term, ending April 1, 2029.

Motion was made by Elaine Paul Schaefer to appoint Mary Tonita Austin to the Juvenile Detention Board of Managers, for a three (3) year term ending April 1, 2029. The motion was seconded by Joanne Phillips and CARRIED unanimously.

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

Motion was made by Elaine Paul Schaefer 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 one (1) Petition for the Termination of Parental Rights and one (1) Consent for Adoption with the Orphans Court.

Motion was made by Elaine Paul Schaefer for approval to file one (1) Petition for the Termination of Parental Rights and one (1) Consent for Adoption with the Orphans Court. The motion was seconded by Joanne Phillips and CARRIED unanimously.

13. Council Remarks

14. Adjourn

Motion was made by Richard Womack to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Joanne Phillips and CARRIED unanimously.

Sharon A. Scattolino, County Clerk