

PRESENT: Dr. Monica Taylor, Chair; Richard R Womack, Vice Chair; Kevin M. Madden, Council Member; Elaine Paul Schaefer, Council Member; Christine A. Reuther, Council Member; Joanne Phillips, Controller; Barbara O'Malley, Executive Director; Jonathan Lichtenstein, Solicitor; Anne M. Coogan, County Clerk and other department heads.

The Regular Meeting of Delaware County Council was held on May 15, 2024 at 6:00 pm in the County Council Meeting Room, Government Center Building, located at 201 West Front Street, Media, PA and was live streamed. Chair Taylor called the meeting to order, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

Chair Taylor stated Council has been in executive session today to discuss Personnel and Litigation.

3) Public Comment

4) Approval of Minutes

4.A Approval of the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 1, 2024.

Motion made by Richard Womack to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on May 1, 2024. The motion was seconded by Christine A Reuther and carried unanimously.

5) Ordinance(s)

5.A Second Reading, Public Hearing and Consideration of Ordinance 2024-4 approving an Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority to extend its existence to January 1, 2074.

Motion made by Richard Womack to Ordinance 2024-4 approving an Amendment to the Articles of Incorporation of the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority to extend its existence to January 1, 2074. The motion was seconded by Kevin M Madden.

Solicitor Jonathan Lichtenstein presented Ordinance 2024-4 and gave a brief summary of the Ordinance. Chair Taylor opened up the floor for Public Comment for this Ordinance. Discussion followed.

A roll count vote was taken by County Clerk Coogan with the following votes being registered: Reuther – Yay; Schaefer – Yay; Madden – Yay; Womack – Yay and Taylor – Yay. Ordinance 2024-4 passed unanimously.

5.B Second Reading, Public Hearing and Consideration of Ordinance 2024-5 approving the incurrence of lease rental debt by the County under the Local Government Unit Debt Act in the principal amount of \$35,000,000 through the guaranty of the obligations of the Delaware County Solid Waste Authority to the Delaware Valley Regional Finance Authority and setting forth related approvals and other matters.

Motion made by Richard Womack to approve Ordinance 2024-5 approving the incurrence of lease rental debt by the County under the Local Government Unit Debt Act in the principal amount of \$35,000,000 through the guaranty of the obligations of the Delaware County Solid Waste

Authority to the Delaware Valley Regional Finance Authority and setting forth related approvals and other matters. The motion was seconded by Kevin M Madden.

Solicitor Jonathan Lichtenstein presented Ordinance 2024-5 and gave a brief summary of the Ordinance. Chair Taylor opened up the floor for Public Comment for this Ordinance. Discussion followed.

A roll count vote was taken by County Clerk Coogan with the following votes being registered: Reuther – Yay; Schaefer – Yay; Madden – Yay; Womack – Yay and Taylor – Yay. Ordinance 2024-5 passed unanimously.

6) Announcement(s)

- 6.A Introducing Karen Wilwol as the Director of Soil Conservation.
- 6.B Announcement Recognizing May is Mental Health Awareness and Children's Mental Health Awareness Month.
- 6.C Announcement Recognizing May 20-28 as Period Poverty Awareness Month.
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7) Resolution(s)

- 7.A Resolution recognizing May 19 - May 25, 2024 as EMS Week.

Motion made by Richard Womack to approve the following Consent Agenda Items:

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- 8.A Approval to purchase a Mobile Concepts 2024 Sprinter Mobile Command Center in the amount of \$223,985.00 using ICAC Improving Investigations grant funds.
- 8.B Approval to submit and accept a PA DEP Grant for Delaware County's Recycling Coordinator's salary, benefits and expenses for 2023 in the amount of \$61,228.65. Grant is being reimbursed at a rate of 50%.
- 8.C Approval to apply for a DCED Greenways Recreation and Trails Program grant in the amount of \$200,000 for the Lower Darby Creek Loop Trail. Subject to Solicitor's approval.
- 8.D Approval to apply for a DVRPC Regional Trail Program grant for \$199,800 for the Lower Darby Creek Loop Trail.
- 8.E Approval of a Grant Agreement to Quatre Management LLC using ARPA funds in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 to fund a portion of the costs of the installation of six EV charging stations. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.F Approval to apply for and accept Indigent Defense Grant Funding from the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime and Delinquency in the amount of \$106,499.

8.G Approval to extend the interim CBA agreement of Delaware County Prison Employees Independent Union (DCPEIU) until June 30, 2024 and authorizing the Executive Director to extend this interim CBA Agreement to September 30, 2024 if necessary with monthly updates being presented to County Council. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.H Approval to apply for DOJ Reentry Grant in the amount of \$833,000 for the period from 10-1-2024 to 9-30-2027.

8.I Approval to advertise for request for proposals of incarcerated persons telephone and tablet services at the George W. Hill Correctional Facility.

8.J Approval for emergency repair of HVAC for Unit 9 compressor with Elliott Lewis in the amount of \$28,000.00.

8.K Approval to enter into a lease agreement with Rose Tree Fire Company for the new 911 Radio System for a tower located at 1275 N Providence Road, Media, PA with an annual rent of \$50,400.00 (Subject to a 3% increase after the initial year) for a term of 10 years (subject to renewals as set forth in the lease). Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.L Approval of change order #1 to contract #eDPW- 061423-1 between the County of Delaware and Loftus Construction, Inc. for paving repair and swale installation at County Bridge #94 Manchester Rd over Ridley Creek in Middletown Township at a cost not to exceed \$25,281.29. The value of the contract will increase from \$2,251,000.00 to \$2,276,281.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.M Approval to amend the Professional Services Agreement between the County of Delaware and Linn Architects to include reimbursables and supplemental building evaluation services at the former Briarcliffe Fire Company Building in the amount not to exceed \$2,850.00. The value of the contract will increase from \$28,785.00 to \$31,635.00. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.N Approval of renewal of Grant Agreement #4100095580 R1 for the period of July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025 between Pennsylvania Department of Health and Delaware County Health Department for disease control and prevention, HIV prevention activities in the amount of \$509,469.64. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.O Approval to extend Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending award administered by the Health Services Research Administration (HRSA) 23-118 to fund a proposed grant agreement between Once Upon A Premie, Inc (grantee) and the County of Delaware, PA (grantor) in the amount of \$150,000 for a one-year project 05/14/24-06/30/25 to expand health and racial equity e-learning program and family empowerment book resources to 125 healthcare professionals in DELCO. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.P Approval to purchase one (1) 2023 Ford Bronco Sport 4x4 from Fred Beans of West Chester for a price not to exceed \$32,459.94 using Co-Stars # 025-E22-413 for Juvenile Court and Probation Services.

8.Q Approval to purchase one (1) 2024 Ford F-250 Super Cab 4x4 Work Truck with a 9' Utility Body and an 8' Western Snow Plow from Pacifico Marple Ford for a price not to exceed \$77,127.04 using COSTARS Contract #025-E23-572 for the Fair Acres Maintenance Department.

8.R Approval to purchase one (1) 2023 Ford F-350 Chassis 4x4 Super Duty Regular Cab Truck from Whitmoyer Auto Group using COSTARS Contract #025-E22-513. The truck will be Up Fitted with a 9' Dump Body, Under Gate Spreader, Dump Bed Spray Liner, Back Up Camera and 9' Boss Super Duty Plow. The total cost will not exceed \$81,495.

8.S Approval to amend Contract #HCR-MH 13/18 with Child and Family Focus, Inc. to extend the term of the Agreement through December 31, 2024 and adding \$235,216 in HealthChoices Reinvestment funding for the provision of respite services. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.T Approval of a new HealthChoices contractual agreement with Community Action Agency of Delaware County, Inc. for the provision of Housing Assistance. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.U Human Services, Child Welfare requests approval to amend Contract #CW 105/23 with Lewis M. Hunt Irving dba Delco County Emergency Youth Academy, adding 1:1 service and a three-day bed hold to the agency's Agreement. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.V Approval of Early Learning Resource Center agreements as outlined on the attached list. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.W Approval of Contracts and Letters of Agreements between the Department of Human Services and Adult and Family Services Providers for Fiscal Year 2023/2024. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.X Approval to amend the Drug and Alcohol outpatient provider agreements per the attached list. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.Y Approval to amend Contract #AFS 24/24 with Catholic Social Services increasing the overall value of the Agreement \$5,965. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.Z Approval to reissue a Request for Proposal for a Forensic Diversion, Treatment and Rehabilitation Center. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.AA Approval to amend Grant Agreement #4100086629 between the Pennsylvania Department of Drug and Alcohol Programs and Delaware County to revise the Subsequently Available Funds Schedule which includes an increase of \$520,000 in funding for the Delaware County Program. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.AB Approval to amend the HealthChoices Respite and High-Fidelity Wrap Around Reinvestment Plans extending the contract expenditure year through December 31, 2024 and adding \$235,216 in additional funding to the Respite Plan. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.AC Approval to accept \$1,200,000 in HealthChoices Reinvestment dollars from the Pennsylvania Department of Human Services, Office of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services. Subject to Solicitor's approval.

8.AD Approval of Central Tax Collection Department's request for refunds for the year 2024 County Real Estate Taxes for the fourteen (14) property owners due to the over payment of taxes due.

8.AE Approval of Central Tax Collection Department's request for Thirty-six (36) Court Ordered refunds for the years 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023 and 2024 for properties in the Boroughs of Colwyn, Darby, Lansdowne, Media and Prospect Park, and the Townships of Concord, Haverford, Marple, Middletown, Radnor, Springfield, Tinicum, Upper Chichester, Upper Darby and Upper Providence in the amount of \$288,616.27.

The motion was seconded by Christine A Reuther and carried unanimously.

9) Request by the Controller's Office for payment of current bills

Motion made by Richard Womack to approve the request by the Controller's Office for payment of current bills. The motion was seconded by Kevin M Madden and carried unanimously.

10) Solicitor

10.A Approval to file three (3) Terminations of Parental Rights and two (2) Consents for Adoption with the Orphans Court.

Motion made by Richard Womack to file three (3) Terminations of Parental Rights and two (2) Consents for Adoption with the Orphans Court. The motion was seconded by Kevin M Madden and carried unanimously.

11) Communications from the Executive Director

12) Public Comment

13) Council Remarks

14) Adjourn

Motion made by Christine A Reuther to Adjourn. The motion was seconded by Richard Womack and carried unanimously.

ANNE M. COOGAN, County Clerk