September 18, 2025

There was a Commissioners meeting at 2:00 PM in the Commissioners Conference Room at 700 Sawmill Road, Small Conference Room for the regularly scheduled Commissioners meeting. In attendance were Commissioners Brewer, Karschner, Kovach, Solicitor Marinos, Prothonotary Stroup, Marcie Strachko, Treasurer Creveling, David Witchey Jeannie Lapinski, and Michelle Frey. Via Zoom were Denise LaBuda, Don Coleman, Jenn Long, Betsy Rubio, and Kirsti Kritzer.

Commissioner Brewer called the meeting to order and asked that we stand and pledge the flag, he then called for the approval of the minutes of the prior meeting.

Motion by Kovach, seconded by Karschner; all approved.

Commissioner Brewer then called for a report of the work session: The work session report is as follows, at 10:00 AM there was a work session held. In attendance were Commissioners Brewer, Karschner, Kovach, Marcie Strachko, Solicitor Marinos, David Witchey, Treasurer Creveling, Michelle Frye, Leon Bogden, Prothonotary Stroup, Chris Anderson, and Angela Grieco. Via zoom was Tom Frace, Denise LaBuda, Don Coleman, Jodi Cook, Tom Lawson, Clint Sorber, and Kirsti Kritzer. Chairman Brewer asked Angela who is Columbia County's Ambassador from SEDA-COG to start the meeting. She provided the Commissioners a handout that listed the services that they offer including Business; Residential; Community and Transportation Services. We then started discussing the mitigation efforts that will need to occur prior to the West End Flood Wall project begins. These include the re-profiling of Route 11 the Bench Flood Plain including the removal of the islands and then public outreach to discuss these items so that community is aware of what is going to occur. Once Penn Dot confirms that they are on board with the re-profiling the engineers would like to schedule the public meeting. After he spoke the rest of the agenda was reviewed, Marcie reviewed the hires steps and increases, then Jean reviewed available cash and bills was also reviewed. After which the work session was adjourned.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Magistrates Reports – August Report:

	Cases	Collected
Berwick	261	$5,221.07
Bloomsburg	321	$8,652.43
Catawissa	436	$9,588.44
Millville	460	$6,451.33

Prothonotary:

Clerk of Orphans Courts – August Report:

Total remitted to the County was $25,127.81
Total business all sources was $33,850.85

Clerk of Courts – August Report:

Total remitted to the County was $35,223.23
Total business all sources was $78,441.24

OLD BUSINESS: None

NEW BUSINESS:

A. Discussion with Angela Grieco from SEDA –COG she is the new County Ambassador

B. Discussion regarding the test borings for anticipated flood wall project

C. Approve the exoneration of tax/cost/interest of parcel that is owned by the Commonwealth of PA

- Parcel# 10-A0-204200000 $6,358.00

Motion by Commissioner Karschner; seconded by Commissioner Kovach; all approved

Approve the exoneration of tax/cost/interest of parcels that are lease hold mobile home or campers that moved or were razed with no permit

- Parcel# 06-01-1500164 $4,114.99
- Parcel# 06-01-01500197 $356.82

- Parcel# 06-01-01500183 $5,272.02

Motion by Commissioner Karschner; seconded by Commissioner Kovach; all approved

D. APPROVE THE FOLLOWING HIRES, STEP INCREASES, and PROMOTIONS:
   - Amy Diehl, Parent Educator, Family Center, two (2) year step, 9/18/25
   - Nathan Jandrisovits, Sgt, Jail, six (6) year step, 9/22/25
   - Jody Sabo, LPN, Jail, four (4) year step, 9/28/25
   - Angel Figeroa-Vazquez, Sgt, Jail, four (4) year step, 10/5/25
   - Krystal Leitzel, FT CO, Jail, four (4) year step, 10/5/25
   - Christopher McGeehan, Promoted to FT CO, Jail, 9/28/25
   - John Lenches, Certified to Sr. Certified Telecommunicator, ECEN, step increase, 8/7/25

   Motion by Commissioner Kovach; seconded by Commissioner Brewer; all approved

E. APPROVE THE DATES OF THE FOLLOWING ELECTED OFFICIALS and COURT EMPLOYEE HIRES, STEP INCREASES, and PROMOTIONS:
   - Abigail Barcenas, Conference Officer, DRO. Promotion, 9/28/25
   - Marissa May, Legal Secretary, DA, six (6) month step, 9/30/25

   Motion by Commissioner Kovach; seconded by Commissioner Brewer; all approved

F. APPROVE THE DATES OF THE FOLLOWING RESIGNATIONS, TERMINATIONS, AND RETIREMENTS:
   - None

CORRESPONDANCE:
   - HRG sent ACT 14 for Woods Edge Estates Wastewater Treatment Plant in Orange Township, the project consists of the installation of a sludge holding tank.

BILLS:

Approve the bills dated 9/19/2025 in the amount of $344,973.07

Motion by Commissioner Karschner; seconded by Commissioner Kovach; all approved

PUBLIC COMMENT:

None

AJOURN:

With no further business to discuss, the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Commissioner Kovach seconded by Commissioner Brewer. The motion passes

Attest: _____
David J. Witchey