

The Board of Mifflin County Commissioners met for their Regular Meeting on Thursday, October 15, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. In attendance were Commissioners Robert Postal; Kevin Kodish; Noah Wise; Chief Clerk Cathy Romig; and Chief Clerk in Training Charity Larson. Solicitor Steve Snook was absent.

Guests present were, Deputy Treasurer Suzanne Kochenderfer, Human Services Director Melissa Stewart, Elections Director Paula Hoffman, Grants Liaison Madison Price, Carol Kearny-High, Annette Zeigler, Cher Harpster, Helen Kirk and Mason Kaniecki and Caleb Bubb from MCTV.

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 a.m. by Commissioner Postal.

- I. **Invocation:** The Invocation was given by Commissioner Kodish.
- II. **Pledge of Allegiance:** The Pledge of Allegiance was said by all present.
- III. **Approval of Minutes:**

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to accept the minutes of the Regular Meetings of October 1, 2026. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

IV. **Approval of Bills:**

- 1. General Fund, Accounts Payable
Ck. #'s155852-155995 and EFT #'s605747-605763 in the amount of \$5,285,196.43
- 2. Payroll Account
Ck. #'s80307-80310 and Direct Deposit Advice #'s 81394-81614 in the amount of \$380,090.61
- 3. 911 Account
Ck. #'s 53421-534-34 and EFT #'s80323-80327in the amount of \$32,364.32
- 4. CYS Account
Ck. #'s1258-1275 and EFT #'s 2543-2630 in the amount of \$356,882.19
- 5. LEPC Account
Ck. #'s 1642-1643 in the amount of \$62.64

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve payment of bills as listed above. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

v. **Treasurer’s Report:**

TREASURER'S REPORT	
9/16/2026-9/29/2026	
General Account Starting Balance	\$883,928.69
DEBITS	
Deposits Receipts #131439-131554	3,875,643.49
Transfer from Reserve	0.00
Transfer from LEPC	0.00
Transfer from Children and Youth	0.00
Interest	0.00
Voided Checks	0.00
TOTAL DEBITS	\$3,875,643.49
Bills Paid CK #'S 155721-155851 EFT #'S 605736-605746	805,918.72
Transfer to Payroll CK#80296-80306 DD#81172-81393	519,157.70
Transfer to CYS	0.00
NSF checks	500.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$1,325,576.42
Ending Balance (Interest @ 3.650% as of 9/29/2026)	\$3,433,995.76
Reserve Account	
Invested at JV Bank @ 3.650% as of 9/29/2026	\$10,000,112.86

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve the Treasurer’s Report as received, subject to audit. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

VI. Meetings and Events:

Chairman Postal:

Meeting with J-Way Construction
JVBDS Evaluations
PA Department of State Elections
Budget Reviews
Joint Rail Authority
Mifflin County Airport Authority
Mifflin County Township Elected Officials Banquet
Meeting with Lewistown Borough Officials
JVYMCA Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – Pool Project
Internal (Budget, Physical Plant, County Projects,
Workshop Meetings)

Commissioner Kodish:

Coroner 2027 Budget Meeting
Meeting with J-Way Construction
PIMCC Board – Harrisburg
Meeting with Emergency Management Director
CCAP Meeting – Election Matters
Meeting with Maintenance Director
Meeting with County Projects Director
Workshop Meetings
CARS Board
2027 Budget Review with fiscal Affairs Director
JVYMCA Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – Pool Project
Regional Services Personnel Committee
Meeting with Lewistown Borough Officials
Mifflin County Township Elected Officials Banquet

Commissioner Wise:

Coroner 2027 Budget Meeting
Meeting with J-Way Construction
Meeting with Emergency Management Director
Meeting with Mike Hannon at The Dream Center
Youth Park Meeting
JVYMCA Ribbon Cutting Ceremony – Pool Project
Mifflin County Township Elected Officials Banquet
Meeting with Lewistown Borough Officials
Workshop Meetings

VII. Public Comment:

None

VIII. New Business:

A. Proclamation – Breast Cancer Awareness Month

PROCLAMATION

Breast Cancer Awareness Month

WHEREAS, October 2026 marks the annual observance of **Breast Cancer Awareness Month**, a coordinated effort to raise awareness, emphasize the critical importance of early detection, and support those affected by the disease; and

WHEREAS, breast cancer remains one of the leading causes of cancer-related diagnoses among women globally and locally, impacting countless families, friends, and neighbors within Mifflin County; and

WHEREAS, the 2026 global theme, "Every story is unique, every journey matters," honors the individual strength, resilience, and unique paths of patients, survivors, and caregivers; and

WHEREAS, community initiatives play a vital role in funding research, providing education, and advancing healthcare access; and

WHEREAS, public awareness, regular mammograms, and early medical intervention starting at recommended screening ages continue to be our most powerful tools in increasing survival rates and saving lives;

NOW, THEREFORE, LET IT BE PROCLAIMED by the **Mifflin County Board of Commissioners** that **October 2026** is **Breast Cancer Awareness Month** in Mifflin County.

We encourage all residents to lift up those fighting this disease, celebrate our inspiring survivors, and prioritize their own health through regular screenings and preventive care.

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve the item. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

B. Election Update

Elections Director Paula Hoffman said mail-in ballots have been sent out. So far 2,371 ballots have been mailed out and 900 have already been returned. The last day to register for a mail-in ballot is October 27, 2026. Over the counter voting is also available through October 27, 2026. The Elections office will be open until 5:00 p.m. on this day.

The drop box in the Courthouse entryway is available Monday through Friday 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. All voters must put their own ballot in the box unless a form has been completed allowing a representative to drop off the ballot for them

The last day to make any registration changes is October 19, 2026. The Elections office will be open until 5:00 p.m. on this day.

Ms. Hoffman noted there is one change in voting location for this election. The Burnham polling location has been moved to the Burnham Lions Club Build. All other locations remain the same.

C. Request for refund of a portion of County real estate taxes:

- Parcel No. 19,17-0213 located in Oliver Township – acreage error corrected - \$139.14 (2021-2026)

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve the item. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

D. Request for refund of a portion of County real estate taxes:

- Parcel No. 15, 07-0135B located in Decatur Township – acreage error corrected - \$417.30 (2020-2025)

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve the item. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

E. Request for exoneration of County real estate tax bills and relieve the Tax Collectors from collecting these bills:

- Parcel No. 17 ,12-0111,175 located in Granville Township - Deck removed from a site at Waterside Campground - \$6.31 (2026)

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve the item. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

F. Request for refund of a portion of County real estate taxes:

- Parcel No. 16 ,40-0003 located in Derry Township – Parcel approved for exempt status by the PA Department of Veteran’s Affairs - \$366.65 (2026)

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve the item. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

G. Application for County Aid – 2026 Liquid Fuels Allocation:

- Armagh Township - \$5,727.00
- Union Township - \$4,803.00

Motion was made by Commissioner Kodish to approve the item. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

H. Juvenile Probation Services Grant for FY 2025-2026 for the period of July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026 - \$32,328.00

Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the item. Commissioner Kodish seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

I. State Food Purchase Program Grant Agreement - \$97,802.56

Human Services Director Melissa Stewart stated this is a finalization of the agreement with the state for an annual grant.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the item. Commissioner Kodish seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

- J. Agreement with J-Way Architectural for architect's fees associated with the Mifflin County Historic Courthouse front entrance repairs - \$25,000.00

Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the item. Commissioner Kodish seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

- K. Change Order No. GC-02 for Mid-State Construction, Inc., for modifications to ceilings, flooring, and misc. items for the Library Phase 2 Project – increase of \$27,864.96

Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the item. Commissioner Kodish seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

- L. Change Order No. EC-01 for Robert P. Lepley Electrical for modifications to lighting layout and switching for the Library Phase 2 Project – increase of \$12,300.00

Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the item. Commissioner Kodish seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

- M. Amendment #1 to Professional and Administrative Services Agreement with SEDA-COG for Mifflin County FFY 2025 CDBG

Carol Kearny-High from SEDA-COG explained this is a \$6,500.00 delivery change for funds that are no longer needed for the Mifflin County Youth Park project. The funding will now go to the water project in Wayne Township.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the item. Commissioner Kodish seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

- N. Agreement for United States Department of Agriculture Rural Development Grant and supporting documents - \$1,080,000.00

Commissioner Postal clarified this item is for money that was already approved and is for clean up of documentation only.

Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the item. Commissioner Kodish seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

- O. Reappointment of Beth Reifsnyder, Lewistown, PA, to the Mifflin County Airport Authority for a five-year term expiring December 31, 2031

Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the item. Commissioner Kodish seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

- P. Personnel:

- Promotion of Matthew Boyer from part-time to full-time Corrections Officer effective October 18, 2026

Motion was made by Commissioner Wise to approve the personnel items. Commissioner Kodish seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

IX. Adjournment:

With no other business on the agenda, Commissioner Postal adjourned the meeting at 9:24 a.m.

Secretary

ATTEST:

Chief Clerk