

The Board of Mifflin County Commissioners met for their Regular Meeting on Thursday, July 2, 2026 at 9:00 a.m. In attendance were Commissioners Robert Postal; Kevin Kodish; Noah Wise; Chief Clerk Cathy Romig; Chief Clerk in Training Charity Larson; and Solicitor Steve Snook.

Guests present were, Deputy Treasurer Stephanie Neff, Director of Human Services Melissa Stewart, Children and Youth Administrator Nicole Patkalitsky, Housing Authority Administrator Allison Fisher, MCHS Relay Team members Conner Lynch, Wyatt Kauffman, Reese Cubbison, and Carter Smith, Citizens Cathy Hite, Steve Hite, Kristin Kauffman, Dawn Wagner, James Wagner, Shawn Wagner, Todd Cubbison, Tasia Sullivan, Billy Burkholder, and MCTV students Riley Houtz and Reiss Miller.

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 June 18, 2026. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

IV. **Approval of Bills:**

- 1. General Fund, Accounts Payable
Ck. #'s 154838-154965 and EFT #'s 605639-605650 in the amount of \$715,141.31
- 2. Payroll Account
Ck. #'s 80248-80257 and Direct Deposit Advice #'s 68283-68515 in the amount of \$501,076.73
- 3. 911 Account
Ck. #'s 53353-53360 and EFT #'s 80294-80295 in the amount of \$119,582.06
- 4. CDBG Account
Ck. #'s 1844-1856 in the amount of \$3,341.37
- 5. CDBG HOME Account
Ck. # 472 in the amount of \$18,900.00
- 6. Liquid Fuels Act 89 Account
EFT # 8166 in the amount of \$47.45
- 7. CYS Account
Ck. #'s 1126-1151 and in the amount of \$429,798.08
- 8. PIB Account
Ck. # 3179 in the amount of \$99,658.83

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	
6/17/2026-6/30/2026	
General Account Starting Balance	\$2,051,921.65
DEBITS	
Deposits Receipts #130224-130377	1,009,229.38
Transfer from LEPC	0.00
Transfer from Reserve	0.00
Transfer from CYS	0.00
Interest	0.00
Voided Checks	25.51
TOTAL DEBITS	\$1,009,254.89
Bills Paid CK #'S 154838-154965 EFT #'S 605639-605650	715,141.31
Transfer to Payroll CK#80248-80257 DD#68283-68515	501,076.73
Transfer to CYS	0.00
Adjustments	0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$1,216,218.04
Ending Balance (Interest @ 4.050% as of 6/30/2026)	\$1,844,958.50
Reserve Account	
Invested at JV Bank @ 4.050% as of 6/30/2026	\$11,580,911.21

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:	Central Counties Youth Center Executive Committee (3) Fountain Square Rededication Ceremony Salary Board Geisinger Community Forum MC Planning Commission PennDOT/Bridge Program Allensville Multi-Modal SEDA-COG/CEDS Human Services Block Grant CDBG Project Selection Internal (MCCF; OPS; Maintenance; MJHS; MCPD; Veterans)
Commissioner Kodish:	Meeting with Project Manager Meeting with Planning Manager Meeting with Warden Workshop Meeting CDBG Project Selection
Commissioner Wise:	Salary Board Meeting with Phil Lucas EFSP Board Meeting JVBDS Citizens Advisory Board SEDA-COG/CEDS Meeting with PennDOT Union Township Community Night Out Veterans Association Monthly Meeting Human Services Block Grant Meeting with Warden

VII. Public Comment:

Commissioner Postal acknowledged the Office of Public Safety and the Mifflin County Correctional Facility on their respective recent oversight reviews/inspections. Both offices received excellent reports for commendable performance.

VIII. New Business:

A. Proclamation honoring the Mifflin County High School Championship Relay Team

MIFFLIN COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS PROCLAMATION
Honoring the Mifflin County High School Championship Relay Team
Carter Smith, Reese Cubbison, Connor Lynch, and Wyatt Kauffman

WHEREAS, the Mifflin County Board of Commissioners proudly recognizes outstanding achievements that bring honor and distinction to our community and serve as an inspiration to future generations; and

WHEREAS, Mifflin County High School student-athletes **Carter Smith, Reese Cubbison, Connor Lynch, and Wyatt Kauffman** have demonstrated extraordinary dedication, perseverance, teamwork, and sportsmanship while representing their school, coaches, teammates, families, and the citizens of Mifflin County; and

WHEREAS, during the 2026 indoor track and field season, these four exceptional young men combined to capture the Indoor National Championship title in the **Distance Medley Relay** at the **New Balance Nationals Indoor Championships in Boston**, establishing themselves as the country’s finest relay team; and

WHEREAS, during the 2026 outdoor season, the quartet achieved one of the most prestigious accomplishments in high school track and field by winning the **Distance Medley Relay Championship at the Penn Relays** in Philadelphia, while also breaking the long-standing **Penn Relays meet record**, an achievement recognized throughout the nation; and

WHEREAS, continuing their remarkable success, Carter Smith, Reese Cubbison, Connor Lynch, and Wyatt Kauffman earned **National Runner-Up honors in the Distance Medley Relay at the New Balance Outdoor Nationals**, competing against many of the finest high school athletes in the United States; and

WHEREAS, the four athletes also dominated the **4 x 800 Meter Relay** during the 2026 outdoor season by capturing championships at the **Mid Penn Conference, PIAA District 6, and PIAA State Championships**, completing the most successful relay season in Mifflin County High School history; and

WHEREAS, their accomplishments reflect countless hours of training, unwavering commitment, exceptional teamwork, and the outstanding leadership of their coaches, while bringing tremendous pride and recognition to Mifflin County High School and the entire Mifflin County community; and

WHEREAS, these young men have become exemplary ambassadors for Mifflin County, proving that through determination, discipline, and unity, extraordinary achievements are possible.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that we, the **Mifflin County Board of Commissioners**, do hereby commend and congratulate **Carter Smith, Reese Cubbison, Connor Lynch, and Wyatt Kauffman** for their remarkable accomplishments during the 2026 track and field season and proudly recognize them for bringing statewide and national distinction to Mifflin County.

We extend our sincere appreciation to these outstanding student-athletes, their families, coaches, teammates, teachers, and all who have supported their journey. May their achievements continue to inspire future generations of Huskies to pursue excellence both on and off the track.

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

MIFFLIN COUNTY COMMISSIONERS PROCLAMATION
Honoring Carter Smith
Mifflin County High School Track & Field

WHEREAS, the Mifflin County Commissioners are honored to recognize **Carter Smith**, a distinguished graduate of Mifflin County High School, whose extraordinary achievements have brought statewide and national recognition to our community; and

WHEREAS, through unwavering dedication, exceptional work ethic, perseverance, and exemplary sportsmanship, Carter has established himself as the most accomplished distance runner in the history of Mifflin County, inspiring countless young athletes to pursue excellence both on and off the track; and

WHEREAS, during the 2026 indoor season, Carter captured his third consecutive PTFCA Indoor State Championship in the 800 meters, repeated as Kevin Dare Invitational Champion, helped lead Mifflin County High School to a National Championship in the Distance Medley Relay at New Balance Nationals Indoor, earned National Runner-Up honors in the 800 meters, placed fourth in the National Mile, and finished second in the prestigious New Balance Indoor Grand Prix Mile with a remarkable time of 4:02.71; and

WHEREAS, during the 2026 outdoor season, Carter successfully defended his PIAA State Championship in the 1600 meters with an extraordinary time of 4:02.63, won Mid-Penn Conference and District 6 championships, broke his own school, district meet, and venue records, helped lead the Huskies to Mid-Penn, District 6, and PIAA State Championships in the 4x800-meter relay, anchored Mifflin County High School to victory and a Penn Relays Carnival Meet Record in the Distance Medley Relay, claimed the Brooks PR Invitational Championship in the 800 meters, finished as National Runner-Up in both the Mile and Distance Medley Relay at New Balance Nationals Outdoor, and concluded his remarkable high school career ranked **No. 2 nationally in the Mile** and **No. 8 nationally in the 800 meters**; and

WHEREAS, Carter further etched his name into Pennsylvania track and field history by becoming only the **third male athlete in Commonwealth history to break the four-minute barrier in the mile**, recording an astonishing time of **3:59.00** at the HOKA Festival of Miles; and

WHEREAS, Carter's accomplishments reflect not only his exceptional athletic talent but also his humility, leadership, determination, and commitment to representing Mifflin County with honor and integrity wherever he competes; and

WHEREAS, Carter will continue his academic and athletic career at **Oklahoma State University** on a Track & Field scholarship, carrying with him the pride, admiration, and best wishes of the entire Mifflin County community.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT PROCLAIMED, that the Mifflin County Commissioners do hereby recognize and honor **Carter Smith** for his extraordinary accomplishments, his historic contributions to Mifflin County High School athletics, and for serving as an outstanding ambassador for our county, the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and the sport of Track & Field.

The Commissioners express their sincere gratitude for the example Carter has set through his discipline, dedication, and character, congratulate him on one of the most remarkable high school running careers in Pennsylvania history, and extend their heartfelt best wishes for continued success as he begins the next chapter of his journey at Oklahoma State University.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the Mifflin County Commissioners, do hereby proclaim our appreciation and admiration for Carter Smith and encourage all citizens of Mifflin County to join us in celebrating his extraordinary achievements and wishing him continued success in all future endeavors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands this 2nd day of July, 2026.

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

B. Ratify the Pennsylvania Historical & Museum Commission Grant - \$92,000.00

Commissioner Postal clarified that this grant is to be used for the Historic Courthouse

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

C. Third Amendment to the Cooperation Agreement with Derry Township for Nolan Drive, over Buck Run Bridge Replacement and Rehabilitation Dated September 9, 2019 not to exceed \$61,462.00

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

D. Appointment of Lauren Naylor to the Mifflin County Library Board to fill an unexpired term

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

E. Human Services Development Fund (HSDF) Agency Contracts for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027:

Human Services Director Melissa Stewart explained the total amount of \$50,000 is received each year from the Department of Human Services. No new agencies applied for funding this year.

• Shelter Services	Emergency Shelter	\$3,000.00
• The Abuse Network, Inc.	Case Management	\$2,000.00
• Clear Concepts Counseling	Counseling	\$10,000.00
• Mifflin-Juniata Human Services	County Administration	\$5,000.00
• Mifflin-Juniata Human Services	Service Coordination	\$29,250.00
• Mifflin-Juniata Human Service	Additional Costs	<u>\$750.00</u>
		\$50,000.00

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

F. Modification to the Food Recovery Infrastructure Grant

Human Services Director Melissa Stewart stated the purpose of the modification is to clarify the food storage equipment being purchased with the grant money will be used by Shelter Services Inc. Mifflin County is serving only as the fiduciary for the grant.

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

G. Application for County Aid – 2026 Liquid Fuel Allocation

- Decatur Township - \$5,068.00

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

H. Proposal from Berkshire Systems Group, Inc. for the fire alarm system for Phase II of the Mifflin County Library Project - \$21,125.00

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

I. Proposal from NRG Building Services, LLC for the HVAC for Phase II of the Mifflin County Library Project - \$27,762.00

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

J. Change Order No. 1 for Mid-State Construction, Inc., for revisions to the windows, hardware and door frame for the Library Phone 2 Project – increase of \$1,971.59

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

K. Acceptance of Base Bid and Alternate No. 2 for Mifflin County Community Learning Center Site and Streetscape Enhancement Phase 3 pending bond review

- Glenn O. Hawbaker – Base Bid - \$702,475.00
 - i. Alternate 2 – Add \$46,000.00
- Mid-State Electrical Contracting, LLC – Base Bid - \$170,500.00

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

L. Purchase and Sale Agreement for the Baer Building - \$275,000.00 per appraisal

Commissioner Postal explained the property in question is straight across N. Wayne Street from the Annex building. The existing structure on the property will be demolished to make way for a parking area to serve the Courthouse, local citizens, and patrons of the library, learning center, and Mifflin County Agricultural Extension office.

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

M. Proposal from Wright Land Surveying, Inc. to survey three parcels for the Stone Arch Bridge to Waste Water Treatment Plant Walking Trail - \$3,000.00

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

- N. Purchase of Service Agreement for use, if needed, by Children and Youth for the period July 1, 2026 through June 30, 2027:

Children and Youth Administrator Nicole Patkalitsky presented the following for approval:

- Jacob W. Diviney, Esquire, Huntingdon, PA in the amount of \$85 per hour
- Tuscarora Intermediate Unit, Lewistown, PA (Communities that Care) in the amount of no more than \$146,320.00 per year
- Tuscarora Intermediate Unit, Lewistown, PA (Project Yes, Second Step, Life Skills) in the amount of \$93 per hour
- Tuscarora Intermediate Unit, Lewistown, PA (In Home Parenting Program) in the amount of \$125,000 per year
- Perseus House, Inc., Erie, PA in the amount of \$314.31 - \$365.40 per day
- CWIS Data Sharing Agreement

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

- O. Professional and Administrative Services Agreement NEPA Environmental Review between Mifflin County, Mifflin County Housing Authority and SEDA-COG

Allison Fisher from the Mifflin County Housing Authority stated this, along with the following agenda item, is an annual requirement.

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

- P. Memorandum of Understanding between Mifflin County, Mifflin County Housing Authority and SEDA-COG

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

- Q. Personnel:

- Hiring of Hannah Jenkins for Children & Youth Casework I effective July 6, 2026
- Hiring of Kara Storey for a Probation Intern effective July 7, 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 9:41 a.m.

Secretary

ATTEST:

Chief Clerk