

The Board of Mifflin County Commissioners met for their Regular Meeting on Thursday, June 4, 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, Treasurer Diane Griffith, Children and Youth Administrator Nicole Patkalitsky, Planning Director James Lettiere, Grants Liaison Madison Price, Proclamation Honoree Ashlie Crosson, Mifflin County Veterans Association President Ed Mann, Citizens James Peters, Don Allen, Mary Allen, Mike Snook, and Helen Kirk, and Jacob Traxler and Maddy Clinard 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 May 21, 2026. Commissioner Wise seconded the motion. The motion was unanimously approved.

IV. Approval of Bills:

1. General Fund, Accounts Payable

Ck. #'s 154514-154741 and EFT #'s 605605-605621 in the amount of \$630,179.98

2. Payroll Account

Ck. #'s 80234-80242 and Direct Deposit Advice #'s 67826-68057 in the amount of \$474,780.64

3. 911 Account

Ck. #'s 53339-53343 and EFT #'s 80287-80289 in the amount of \$46,615.23

4. CYS Account

Ck. #'s 1118-1120 in the amount of \$101,400.11

5. CDBG Account

Ck. #'s 1853-1854 in the amount of \$10,127.20

6. CDBG Home Program Account

Ck. # 471 in the amount of \$18,900.00

7. Liquid Fuels Act 89 Account

EFT # 8165 in the amount of \$43.29

8. Liquid Fuels

Ck. # 1767 in the amount of \$3,972.68

9. Act 137 Account

Ck. # 3176 in the amount of \$59.75

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

5/20/2026-6/2/2026

General Account Starting Balance	\$2,131,880.53
DEBITS	
Deposits Receipts #130053-130218	558,942.63
Transfer from LEPC	0.00
Transfer from Reserve	0.00
Transfer from CYS	0.00
Interest	7,641.31
Voided Checks	2,552.40
TOTAL DEBITS	\$569,136.34
Bills Paid CK #'S 154514-154741 EFT #'S 605605-605621	630,179.98
Transfer to Payroll CK#80234-80242 DD#67826-68057	474,780.64
Transfer to CYS	0.00
NSF Checks	0.00
TOTAL CREDITS	\$1,104,960.62
Ending Balance (Interest @ 4.050% as of 6/2/2026)	\$1,596,056.25
Reserve Account	
Invested at JV Bank @ 4.050% as of 6/2/2026	\$10,933,831.27

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:

- MC Planning Commission Meeting*
- Lewistown Borough Police Memorial Ceremony*
- Belleville Memorial Day Parade*
- PA DCED Opportunity Zone*
- DLI Executive Committee*
- Opioid Trust Executive Committee & Public Meetings*
- Mifflin-Juniata Human Services*
- Opioid Trust Dispute Committee*
- Workshop Meetings*
- Board of Elections*
- Mifflin County Veterans Picnic*
- Internal (Bridge; Maintenance; Special Projects; Veterans; Tax Services; CYS)*

Commissioner Kodish:

- Board of Elections*
- Salary Board*
- Belleville Memorial Day Parade*
- Meetings with County Project Manager*
- Workshop Meetings*
- SEDA-COG Governance Committee*
- SEDA-COG Board*
- Meeting with MCCF Warden*
- Meeting with CYS Director*
- CARS Board*
- Mifflin County Veterans Picnic*
- Mifflin-Juniata Human Services*

Commissioner Wise:

- Housing Authority Meeting*
- Board of Elections*
- Workshop Meetings*
- Meetings with County Project Manager*
- Mifflin County Veterans Picnic*
- PA DCED Opportunity Zone*
- Meeting with CYS Director*
- MC Planning Commission Meeting*
- Communities That Care Meeting*

VII. Public Comment:

Public Comments were made by the following citizen attendees:

Mike Snook: He hopes the new direction for the Veterans affairs office is not the same as the old direction.

Mifflin County Veterans Association President Ed Mann: Stated he received a call from James Peters saying he had been terminated from his position of Director of Veterans Affairs for Mifflin County. He wanted it known that the Veterans Association “does not have a dog in this fight” and is only concerned with the effects on local Veterans and the Association. He thanked Commissioner Wise for taking his phone call about his concerns and also thanked Commissioner Kodish for his assistance with coordinating Veteran’s efforts with the Area Agency on Aging.

Commissioner Postal: Assured all in attendance that Mifflin County is dedicated to the Veterans of Mifflin County and pledge that they deserve excellent service.

James Peters declined to take the podium but asked from the audience how veterans were being serviced with the Director position open. Mr. Peters was reminded that this was a time for Public Comment only.

VIII. New Business:

A. Proclamation Honoring Ashlie Crosson, 2025 National Teacher of the Year

**Mifflin County Board of Commissioners
Proclamation Honoring Ashlie Crosson
2025 National Teacher of the Year**

WHEREAS, Ms. Ashlie Crosson, a dedicated educator in the Mifflin County School District, has demonstrated an unwavering commitment to excellence in education, inspiring students, colleagues, and the broader community through her passion for teaching and learning; and

WHEREAS, following her selection as the 2024 Pennsylvania Teacher of the Year, Ms. Crosson was chosen from among 56 outstanding educators representing each state and U.S. territories as the **2025 National Teacher of the Year**, the most prestigious recognition bestowed upon educators in the United States; and

WHEREAS, this distinguished honor, presented through the Council of Chief State School Officers’ National Teacher of the Year Program, recognizes Ms. Crosson’s exceptional skill, leadership, and dedication to the teaching profession at the highest national level; and

WHEREAS, during her tenure as National Teacher of the Year, Ms. Crosson has served as a full-time ambassador for education, traveling across the country to elevate the teaching profession, advocate for students, and share her expertise and insights with diverse audiences; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Crosson has spoken at more than 100 events nationwide, using her platform to highlight the critical role of educators, address the challenges facing today’s classrooms, and inspire the next generation of teachers; and

WHEREAS, her remarkable accomplishments reflect not only her individual excellence, but also the strength, dedication, and professionalism of the educators within the Mifflin County School District; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Crosson’s achievements bring great pride and distinction to Mifflin County, serving as a shining example of the impact that committed educators have on their students, communities, and the future of our nation;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Mifflin County Board of Commissioners hereby recognizes and honors **Ashlie Crosson** for her extraordinary achievement as the **2025 National Teacher of the Year**, and commends her for her outstanding service, leadership, and dedication to the field of education; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that we extend our sincere gratitude to Ms. Crosson for representing Mifflin County with distinction on the national stage, and we wish her continued success in all her future endeavors; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that a copy of this proclamation be presented to Ms. Crosson as a token of our appreciation and admiration.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we, the Mifflin County Board of Commissioners, have hereunto set our hands and caused the seal of the County of Mifflin to be affixed this 4th day of June, 2026.

Ms. Crosson expressed appreciation for the recognition. She stated through the process of serving out commitments over the past year it became clear she was not a single representative of Mifflin County but a collective representation of an entire town. Ms. Crosson is a proud graduate of the Mifflin County school system and values her family’s history in the area. She feels becoming a teacher in Mifflin County is a form of paying it forward to the community. Ms. Crosson specified it has been a profound joy to shed light on Mifflin County on the national stage and declared she is living proof of what Mifflin County is capable of.

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

B. 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)

- Wardell and Associates, Bellefonte, PA at \$70.89-\$98.06 per hour
- Justice Works, Allentown, PA at \$103.00-\$109.62 per hour
- Robert Covell, Esquire, Huntingdon, PA at \$85.00 per hour
- Baxter and Kipphan, Huntingdon, PA at \$85.00 per hour
- Avanco, Reston, VA at \$2,220.10-\$42,522.05 for software integration services
- Mark Remy, Esquire, Lewistown, PA at \$85.00 per hour

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

C. Sub-recipient Agreement for the CDBG FFY 2022 with Armagh Township for the Public Trail Improvements Project

Grants Liaison Madison Price stated this project is to improve the walking trail around the Armagh Township Municipal Building to allow seniors to have better access to use the trail. The project has an end date of September 30, 2026. Armagh Township approved the project at their June 1, 2026 meeting.

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

D. Letter of amendment No. 8 for the West Railroad Bridge replacement project in Brown Township to change the amount eligible to the municipality (which is the County Commissioners), from \$826,400.00 to \$3,577,837.00

Planning Director James Lettiere explained the county is the approved local sponsor for this bridge and is responsible for processing payments to the contractor and engineer. PennDOT is requesting the available funding amount be amended. Total project cost for the bridge is \$4,372,437.00.

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

E. Acknowledge the 2025 Mifflin County Planning Commission Annual Report

Planning Director James Lettiere presented the required annual report to the Commissioners. A copy will be posted on the county website for public review.

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

F. Personnel:

- Retirement of Robert Johnson from Corrections Officer effective May 14, 2026
- Resignation of Nicholas Loudenslager from Deputy Sheriff effective June 5, 2026
- Promotion of Bailey McCall from Children & Youth Casework I to Caseworker II effective June 8, 2026
- Hiring of Pete Picciurro for Deputy Sheriff effective June 15, 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 9:32 a.m.

Secretary

ATTEST:

Chief Clerk