

PRESENT: Mario J. Civera, Jr., Chairman; John P. McBlain, Council Member; David J. White, Council Member; Michael F. Culp, Council Member; Edward O'Lone, Controller; Marianne Grace, Executive Director; Michael L. Maddren, Solicitor; Anne M. Coogan, County Clerk; and other department heads.

Chairman Civera called the regular meeting of February 4, 2015 to order followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag led by Executive Director Grace. Maureen Hennessey, Director of Intercommunity Health, gave the invocation.

Chairman Civera called on Councilman McBlain to start the agenda items.

Motion made by Mr. McBlain approving the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 28, 2015, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. McBlain approving Central Tax Collection Department's request for refunds for the year 2014 County Real Estate Taxes for 4 property owners due to overpayment of the amount of taxes due, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. McBlain approving to accept \$3,500.00 from the National Association of County and City Health Officials to assist the County Medical Reserve Corps for program enhancements, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Joe Dougherty, Director of Human Services, to speak on Agenda Item 7.

Mr. Dougherty asked for County Council's approval of a new staffing provider (Epic Health Services) for the Office of Health and Intellectual Disabilities and the approval to apply for a grant with PCCD (PA Commission on Crime & Delinquency) for Supportive Housing that would be for individuals with mental illness or involved in the criminal justice system.

Motion made by Mr. McBlain approving Agreements, Contracts and Amendments with the Human Services Provider of Services as per the attached list. The motion is subject to the Solicitor's approval, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

Motion made by Mr. McBlain approving a memorial to be erected on the grave of Thomas D. Walsh, of Newtown Township, a deceased service person, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

Chairman Civera called on Mr. McBlain to speak on Agenda Item 9, announcing a Resolution recognizing February as Heart Health Month and February 6 as "Wear Red Day."

Mr. McBlain said heart disease has been called the "silent killer" because it often strikes without noticeable symptoms. It's more deadly than all forms of cancer combined and it's not just an "old man's" disease.

In 2003, research showed that heart disease was the No. 1 killer of women and actually killed more women than men. In fact, heart disease is claiming the lives of nearly 500,000 women each year.

In 2004, the American Heart Association launched "Go Red for Women" and the red dress has become the iconic symbol of the battle against heart disease in women. National Wear Red Day, the first Friday in February, harnesses the power of women to band together and collectively bring attention to this silent killer of women.

Of course we want men to practice heart healthy lifestyles, too, but statistics show that women are less likely to call 911 for themselves when experiencing symptoms of a heart attack than if they think someone else is having heart failure. It is critical that we all learn to prevent heart disease, to learn the symptoms of a heart attack and stroke and to seek immediate treatment when heart disease strikes.

This year the Heart Association is taking the acronym "Go Red" and reminding women to:

- Get your numbers
- Own your lifestyle
- Raise your voice
- Educate your family
- Donate your time or talent to support research and treatment

Mr. McBlain said on Friday, February 6 we urge everyone, from all walks of life, to "Go Red." Wear a red scarf, tie, dress or shirt, to show solidarity with people affected by heart disease, to recognize the dedicated healthcare professionals who treat heart patients, to honor the researchers working towards the next breakthrough in treatment and to demonstrate a personal commitment to heart health.

Today, County Council is recognizing Healthy Heart Month and the "Go Red" Campaign with several activities, all aimed at fighting heart disease. He spotlighted three efforts, namely a person story (Colleen Biddle), Heart Health partners and the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority event.

First, Mr. McBlain called on Colleen Biddle, a Delaware County woman, who will share her story of battling cancer and then cardiac problems. Colleen is a wife and mother, from Thornbury Township, and a teacher at Hilltop Elementary School in the Chichester School District. She is still undergoing treatment for both cancer and heart problems at Crozer Chester Medical Center.

Mrs. Biddle said she is a breast cancer survivor who had a double mastectomy in October 2013. Then in late May 2014, she experienced a squeezing in her chest and later learned she had a blockage of her coronary artery. She listened to her body and didn't hesitate to immediately seek care. On July 10, 2014, she underwent open heart surgery with heart bypass and was back to work in August.

She thanked Crozer Keystone for all their help and diligence in her healthcare. She is very blessed and healthy.

Second, Mr. McBlain recognized our heart health partners - Crozer Keystone Health Systems, Mercy Fitzgerald Hospital and Riddle Hospital who joined us today in raising awareness on how to prevent cardiovascular disease.

Delaware County's Department of Intercommunity Health and our Wellness Program are offering blood pressure screenings along with our Wellness partner, Independence Blue Cross. Free blood pressure screenings and educational materials will be available in the Government Center Lobby until noon today. Employees and members of the public are invited to get their blood pressure taken, to learn about risk factors, the importance of diet and exercise and the signs of a stroke and a heart attack.

According to the American Heart Association, "Go Red" is working. Statistics show that women who "Go Red" are more likely to visit their doctor on an annual basis, more likely to follow an exercise routine and more likely to get their blood pressure and cholesterol checked.

Mr. McBlain presented a Healthy Heart Month Resolution to the following participants who attended this morning's meeting: (our staff) Dr. George Avetian, Delaware County Senior Medical Advisor; Maureen Hennessy, Director of the Department of Intercommunity Health Coordination; Helen McGoohan, Wellness Coordinator; (Crozer Keystone Health System representatives) Grant Gegwich, Vice President of Marketing; Ellen Williams, Administrative Director for Community Health Education; Melissa Maier, Program Coordinator; Ronelle Yanuzzi, Health Educator; and Kelly Vice, a student intern from West Chester University; (Mercy Fitzgerald Hospital representatives) Dan Bair, vice President Cardiovascular and Radiology Service Line; and Laureen Carlin, Community/Volunteer Services; and (Riddle Hospital, Main Line Health System) nurse Virginia Cave and Martha Grieco, Development and Communications Coordinator.

Chairman Civera called on Mr. Culp to speak on the third effort, the Chester sorority event.

Mr. Culp recognized members of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Tau Delta Omega Chapter, a service organization based in Chester that will be hosting their 3rd annual "Pink Goes Red for Women" Workout event on Friday evening at the Chester Boys and Girls Club.

Members of the sorority are teaming up with the City of Chester Recreation Department to hold a free dance and exercise session to encourage women to get fit. The women can dance and exercise plus get information on healthy eating and heart disease.

The "Pink Goes Red for Women" event is part of the International Alpha Kappa Alpha program titled "Launching New Dimensions of Service." This sorority has 265,000 collegiate members and alumnae in 42 states, so that will be a huge showing of red.

Mr. Culp recognized Jacquie Jones, president (who was unable to attend) and Erica Parham, a sorority member and also an assistant district attorney with our District Attorney's Office.

Ms. Parham said Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority was founded in 1908 on the campus of Howard University (District of Columbia). The Delaware County chapter consists of approximately 70 members (founded in 1991) to address the needs of women and families in Delaware County. Specifically, the mission of Alpha Kappa Alpha sororities is to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards, to promote community and friendship among college women, study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women in order to improve their social stature, to maintain a progressive interest in college life and service to all mankind.

Chairman Civera called on Mr. McBlain to continue with today's agenda items.

Motion made by Mr. McBlain approving the request by the Controller's Office for payment of current bills, seconded by Mr. Culp and carried unanimously.

SOLICITOR: Mr. Maddren asked for Council's authorization to file five (5) Petitions for the Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights and two (2) Consents for Adoption with the Orphans Court.

Motion made by Mr. McBlain approving the filing of five (5) Petitions for the Involuntary Termination of Parental Rights and two (2) Consents for Adoption with the Orphans Court, seconded by Mr. White and carried unanimously.

COUNCIL: Chairman Civera thanked everyone for coming to this morning's Council meeting and recognizing Heart Healthy Month.

In 2000, while serving in the PA House of Representatives, Chairman Civera said he developed chest pains and later was diagnosed with a blockage. He said this kind experience changes a person's life and will stay with you forever.

DISCUSSION: No public comment(s).

There being no further County business, nor public discussion, motion made by Chairman Civera to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Mr. McBlain and carried unanimously.


ANNE M. COOGAN, County Clerk

RECORDED BY: N. J. Scallan

HUMAN SERVICES AGREEMENTS, CONTRACTS
& AMENDMENTS TO CONTRACTS

<u>Name of Provider</u>	<u>Type of Service</u>	<u>Term of Contract/ Agreement</u>	<u>Original Contract/ Agreement Amount</u>	<u>Proposed Contract/ Agreement Amount</u>
Epic Health Services	Home Health Aide, Skilled & Private Duty Nursing	1/13/15-*	N/A	N/A
Pennsylvania Commission on Crime & Delinquency (PCCD)	Forensic Supportive Housing Program (FSHP) Grant Application	4/1/15-3/30/17	N/A	\$150,000 over 2 year period

*Continuing so long as Provider meets each of the terms of the Contract between the County and Provider to which this signature page is attached or until the Contract is terminated as provided in the Contract.