

**SEPTEMBER 27, 2011 MINUTES**  
**Formally approved at October 11, 2011 meeting**

FULL BOARD PRESENT. Also present: Fred Gaffney, ColumbiaMontour Chamber of Commerce; Brian Achy, Wanda Bissinger, Judy Achy, Public; Karen Blackledge, The Danville News; Chris Krepich, PressEnterprise.

The meeting was opened in prayer by Assistant Solicitor John McLaughlin. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited in unison.

Mr. Ward moved to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Mr. Gerst seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Gerst moved to accept the Treasurer's report as presented. Mr. Ward seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

General Account Disbursements	\$451,961.55
General Account Receipts	\$172,937.03
General Account Checking .50%	\$1,132,108.18
Capital Reserve Fund .50%	\$26,600.96
Operating Reserve .50%	\$39,822.07
Total Checking, Savings and MMAs	\$1,198,441.21
Act 44 .50%	\$46,255.85
Act 78 Checking .50%	\$10,931.56
Children and Youth Checking .50%	\$128,377.14
Domestic Relations Checking .50%	\$153,597.56
Escheat Account Checking .50%	\$10,747.98
Flood Mitigation	\$93,467.88
Hazardous Material Account Checking .50%	\$12,707.62
Human & Community Services Checking .50%	\$24,071.40
Improvement Fund Checking .50%	\$1,208.61
Liquid Fuels Checking .50%	\$16,547.80
Liquid Fuels MMA 1.10%	\$130,000.00
Offender Supervision Account Checking .50%	\$42,973.96
Transit Fund Account Checking .50%	\$8,350.13
Wireless 911 .50%	\$224,526.69

Mr. Finn called for public comment. Mr. Achy inquired if there was some mechanism for a buyout of his riverfront property, which was flooded again during Tropical Storm Lee and has been a continual site of flooding.

Mr. Finn said Montour County's portion of flood mitigation funds from the 1990s through from the Wyoming Valley Flood Mitigation Board has been expended or is already earmarked for projects, and he was unsure if additional dollars would become available. However, he said a meeting of the County's local flood mitigation committee would be called and avenues explored for buyout programs. Even though the County's new stormwater management plan is in place, Mr. Finn noted that stormwater management is becoming an increasing issue.

There was no old business.

Under new business, Mr. Ward moved to accept the resignation of Williams Forbes Jr. as Court Tipstaff effective October 14. Mr. Gerst seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

Mr. Finn announced a Candidates Night sponsored by the League of Voters at 7 p.m. October 13 in the courtroom of the Courthouse, featuring Montour County District Attorney candidates and Northumberland County Commissioner candidates.

Mr. Ward noted Danville native Todd Ritter will present a reading from his latest novel, "Bad Moon," at 6:30 p.m. October 13 at the Thomas Beaver Free Library. Mr. Ritter is the son of Assistant Chief Clerk Linda and Ray Ritter of Derry Township.

Mr. Gerst said the Women's Center will hold a Domestic Violence Awareness Vigil on the Courthouse steps at 6 p.m. October 12.

Mr. Gerst also mentioned that a Chinese auction of major sports memorabilia to benefit the Challenger League is in the planning stages.

Mr. Gerst moved to pay the following bills: General Account, \$43,536.40; Children & Youth, \$40,790.33; Transit, \$716.26; Liquid Fuels, \$0; Act 78, \$345.46; Domestic Relations, \$23,326.51; Human and Community Services, \$1,257.92. Mr. Ward seconded. On called vote, all voted in favor.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted by:

Holly A. Brandon, Chief Clerk