MONROE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
October 7, 2026

The regular meeting of the Monroe County Board of Commissioners was held Wednesday, October 7, 2026, in the Commissioners' Public Meeting Room at the Monroe County Administrative Center with the following present: Chairman John D. Christy, Vice-Chairman David C. Parker, Commissioner Sharon S. Laverdure, Solicitor Deborah L. Huffman, Chief Clerk/Administrator Robert J. Gress and Administrative Secretary Cindy Cook.

Chairman Christy opened the meeting at 9:30 a.m. with a moment of silence followed by the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

There was no public comment on agenda items.

Chairman Chisty recessed the regular meeting at 9:31 a.m. and opened the Monroe County Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) FFY 2026 Second Public Hearing on behalf of East Stroudsburg Borough and Stroudsburg Borough.

Jennifer Petersen, Executive Director, Redevelopment Authority of Monroe County, announced that Monroe County will receive $391,735.00 of the allocated FFY 2026 CDBG funds. The funding is formula-based funding that accounts for population, and several indicators of community need, including the extent of poverty, housing, overcrowding, the age of housing and population growth lag compared to other metropolitan areas. Projects must benefit low to moderate income households within Monroe County. The selected project is scattered-site owner-occupied housing rehabilitation. The breakdown of the funds is $321,223.00 for rehabilitation and $70,512.00 for program administrative costs over a three-year period. Today's public hearing aims to gather citizens' views and comments on the above information. The public comment period will continue through October 9, 2026 and comments can be directed to Ms. Petersen at the Redevelopment Authority of Monroe County.

M-2026-289 Motion by Commissioner Laverdure, seconded by Vice-Chairman Parker and carried to approve the minutes of September 16, 2026 Commissioners' Meeting.

M-2026-290 Motion by Commissioner Laverdure, seconded by Vice-Chairman Parker and carried to ratify the opening of the Monroe County Conservation District Restroom Renovation bids on September 17, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. as follows:

Plumbing Construction:

K.C. Mechanical Services, Inc.	$61,000.00	10% Bid Bond	Addenda 1 and 2 acknowledged
Bognet Inc.	$42,200.00	10% Bid Bond	Addenda 1 and 2 acknowledged
D&M Construction Unlimited, Inc.	$70,000.00	10% Bid Bond	Addenda 1 and 2 acknowledged

General Construction:

C.M.G. of Easton, Inc.	$142,500.00	10% Bid Bond	Addenda 1 and 2 acknowledged
Bognet Inc.	$107,930.00	10% Bid Bond	Addenda 1 and 2 acknowledged
D&M Construction Unlimited, Inc.	$150,000.00	10% Bid Bond	Addenda 1 and 2 acknowledged

There were no bids for Electrical Construction received.

M-2026-291 Motion by Commissioner Laverdure, seconded by Vice-Chairman Parker and carried to adopt the following proclamations and certificates:

Domestic Violence Awareness Month October – Safe Monroe

Proclamation

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence is a pervasive issue that affects individuals across all demographics, regardless of age, gender, race, religion, sexual orientation, or socioeconomic status; and

WHEREAS, Domestic Violence undermines the safety, dignity, and well-being of individuals, causing lasting physical, emotional, and psychological harm; and

WHEREAS, between July 2025 to June 2026, Safe Monroe provided 3,215 hours of counseling and 489 hours of legal advocacy services to 865 individuals affected by domestic abuse. 64 adults and children were provided safety from domestic violence through 6,492 Nights of Shelter, and over 1,375 hotline calls through their 24-hour crisis hotline were taken, and

WHEREAS, raising awareness about Domestic Violence is critical in promoting prevention, supporting survivors, and holding abusers accountable, as well as working collaboratively to create safer communities and provide accessible resources for survivors; and

WHEREAS, members of our community are urged to support and assist in any way possible to advance a society where ALL can live in peace free from violence, abuse, and exploitation;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Monroe County Board of Commissioners hereby proclaims the month of October 2026 as Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Monroe County and further commends all who work towards eliminating Domestic violence in our county.

End of Proclamation

Fitzmaurice Community Services – 60th Anniversary
Gillow's Tax Service and Where the Needs Lead Us – Grand Opening
John Paul II Polish School of the Poconos – 20th Anniversary
Michele Haydt- Retirement – Children and Youth Services
Nettario's Coffee & Tea – Grand Opening
The Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter #678 – POW/MIA Recognition Day

Commissioner Laverdure presented the Domestic Violence Awareness Month Proclamation to Marissa Buatti, Prevention and Outreach Specialist at Safe Monroe. Ms. Buatti thanked the Commissioners for the proclamation and announced a candlelight vigil will be held on October 22, 2026 in Courthouse Square to recognize domestic violence survivors as well as those of have died because of domestic violence. Chairman Christy also noted the pinwheel display has been placed in Courthouse Square, Ms. Buatti stated there are eight hundred and sixty-five pinwheels in the display representing the individuals affected by domestic abuse between July 2025 and June 2026.

M-2026-292 Motion by Vice-Chairman Parker, seconded by Commissioner Laverdure and carried to approve the actions listed below:

a) Personnel Agenda:

FIRST NAME	DEPARTMENT:	POSITION:	STEP:	DATE:	REASON:
NEW HIRES:					
Boone, Antoinette	Aging	37 Care Mgr 3	N/A	10/19/26	New Hire/Replacement
Papailler, Lesly	Aging	37 Care Mgr 3	N/A	10/19/26	New Hire/Replacement
Abshire, Allen	C&Y	33 Casw 1	N/A	10/13/26	New Hire/Replacement
Chelley, Kayla	C&Y	35 Casw 2	N/A	10/13/26	New Hire/Replacement
Maxwell, Vanessa	C&Y	33 Casw 1	N/A	10/13/26	New Hire/Replacement
Smith, Samantha	C&Y	33 Casw 1	N/A	10/13/26	New Hire/Replacement
Studley, Erika	C&Y	35 Casw 2	N/A	10/13/26	New Hire/Replacement
Coleman, Lyric	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/13/26	New Hire/Replacement
Cordero, Ryan	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/13/26	New Hire/Replacement
Koli, Kokou	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/13/26	New Hire/Replacement
Marmol, Daniella	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/13/26	New Hire/Replacement
Munoz, Bryan	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/13/26	New Hire/Replacement
Roughan, Justin	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/13/26	New Hire/Replacement
Zukauskas, Kathryn	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/13/26	New Hire/Replacement
Ransom, Annette	District Justices	7 Technician Floater	N/A	10/19/26	New Hire/Replacement
Marrero, Victor	Pretrial Services	11 Pretrial Services Supervisor*	1	10/19/26	New Hire/Replacement
SEPARATIONS:					
Cost, Michelle	Aging	35 Care Manager 2	N/A	10/2/26	Resigned
Haydt, Michele	C&Y	13 Program Manager II*	10	10/1/26	Retired
Stack, Lauren	C&Y	35 Casw 2 - PT	N/A	1/9/26	Resigned
Simeoli Lagos, Esefania	Maintenance	1 Tradesworker 1	1	10/1/26	Resigned
O'Leary, Shane	Planning	6 Vector Technician Temp	1	9/17/26	Resigned
Salerno, Andrea	Register & Recorder	4 Deputy (D)	2	10/16/26	Resigned
CHANGES:					
Brownley-Knights, Chandra	Aging	37 Care Mgr 3	N/A	9/27/26-3/26/27	Intermittent LOA
Getz, Jerica	Assessment	8 Act 319 Specialist/Asst Chief Assess	3	10/19/2026	Promotion/New Position
Miller, Kayla	C&Y	35 Casw 2		9/23/26-11/3/26	Update FMLA Dates
Petersen, Annet	C&Y	12 Supervisor I* Ongoing Services	2	9/28/26-12/30/26	Intermittent LOA
Pleitez, Jamie	C&Y	37 Casw 3	N/A	9/16/2026	Early RTW
Puchalski, Svetlana	C&Y	33 Casw 1	N/A	8/28/26	975 Hours Probation Complete
Puchalski, Svetlana	C&Y	35 Casw 2	N/A	8/29/26	Promo w/o Exam
Pilato, Michael	Commissioners	4 Non-Court Armed Security	2	10/6/26	Probation Complete
Ackerman, Michael	Correctional Facility	CO II	N/A	8/7/26-2/5/27	Intermittent LOA
Barrett, Bernard	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/6/26	Probation Complete
Bert, Virginia	Correctional Facility	3 Administrative Specialist II	5	8/7/26	Intermittent LOA
Cadora, Samuel	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/6/26	Probation Complete
Chapman, Alfred	Correctional Facility	CO II	N/A	9/30/26-10/2/26	Mod Duty
Clase, Yessica	Correctional Facility	CO II	N/A	9/11/26-3/11/27	Intermittent LOA
Cox, Gerald	Correctional Facility	CO II	N/A	9/6/26-3/4/27	Intermittent LOA
Dancy, Cheryl	Correctional Facility	CO II	N/A	9/26/26-10/16/26	Extend Mod Duty
Dawkins, James	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/6/26	Probation Complete
Kofler, Silvia	Correctional Facility	CO II	N/A	9/9/26-10/31/26	Extend LOA
Martin, Aaron	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/6/26	Extend Probation 6 mo
O'Donnell, Terrence	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/6/26	Probation Complete
Okuwobi, Abimbola	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/6/26	Extend Probation 6 mo
Ortiz, Diana	Correctional Facility	CO II	N/A	9/29/26-10/8/26	LOA
Plows, Alizabeth	Correctional Facility	10 Sergeant	8	9/12/26-10/23/26	LOA
Polnasek, Christopher	Correctional Facility	CO II	N/A	9/30/26-12/1/26	Extend LOA
Shay, Jennifer	Correctional Facility	7 Records Administrator	1	10/6/26	Probation Complete
Stuhlmuller, Walter	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/6/26	Probation Complete
Sutliff, Kevin	Correctional Facility	CO	N/A	10/6/26	Extend Probation 6 mo
Vazquez, Blase	Correctional Facility	CO II	N/A	10/15-10/18/26	Retract LOA
Vazquez, Blase	Correctional Facility	CO II	N/A	11/7-11/8/26	Retract LOA
Virella, Nicholas	Correctional Facility	CO II	N/A	9/23/26-10/6/26	Extend Mod Duty
Wise, James	Correctional Facility	CO II	N/A	9/10/26-10/9/26	Extend LOA
Albert-Jimenez, Lisa	Courts	7 Executive Assistant Custody Conciliat	1	8/9/26	Correct Probation Complete Date
Almoshwer, Shahd	Courts	10 Admin Asst/Courts	N/A	10/13/26	Transfer/Replacement
Kelly, Kelly	Courts	18 Court Reporter	N/A	11/1/26-5/1/27	Intermittent LOA
Rulapaugh, Eva	Courts	18 Court Reporter	N/A	9/11/26-10/2/26	LOA
Culley, Rebecca	District Attorney	5 Legal Secretary	5	9/8/26 - 3/8/27	Intermittent LOA
McIntosh, Linda	District Justices - Wolbe	7 Technician	N/A	9/9/26	Probation Complete
Pryce, Yolanda	Domestic Relations	12 Enforcement Specialist Sr	N/A	9/19/26-3/18/27	Intermittent LOA
Edinger, William	Emergency Services	19 Acting Director Emergency Services*	1	10/1/26-12/29/26	Temp Assignment
Keegan, Maryellen	Emergency Services	19 Director Emergency Services*	5	10/1/26-12/29/26	Unpaid Suspension
Brancato, Ryan	Fiscal	7 Grants Writer	1	10/6/26	Probation Complete
Warner, Myia	Pretrial Services	16 Pretrial Director*	1	10/12/16	Promotion
Haughton, Denise	Prothonotary	4 Deputy (C)	4	8/27/26-2/26/27	Intermittent LOA
Leary, Jennifer	Public Defender	4 Application Intake Analyst	3	9/23/26	Probation Complete
Santiago, Viansa	Public Defender	5 Legal Secretary	1	9/23/26	Probation Complete
Salerno, Andrea	Register & Recorder	4 Deputy	2	10/6/26	Probation Complete
Magee, Christopher	Sheriff	6 Assistant Bailiff Supervisor	2	10/1/26	Probation Complete
Metzgar, Diane	Sheriff	4 Records Technician	8	8/10/26-8/14/26	Reduced Schedule LOA
West, Elizabeth	Sheriff	3 Administrative Specialist II	2	9/2/26	Probation Complete
Mihalopoulos, Marijana	Tax Claim	8 Supervisor	1	9/21/26-10/13/26	LOA
Ackerman, Dawn	Voter Registration	6 Administrative Coordinator	5	9/18/26 - 3/17/26	Intermittent LOA
MISCELLANEOUS:					
Adopt the updated Social Media policy.					

b) Approve/Ratify Requests to work additional hours:

i) Sheriff's Overtime Report for pay period ending 09/20/2026

(1) Deputies – 25.25 hours

(2) Security – 66.75 hours

(3) Clerks – 3.75 hours

M-2026-293 Motion by Commissioner Laverdure, seconded by Vice-Chairman Parker and carried to approve/ratify the actions listed below:

a) Vouchers Payable:
   i) Dated 09/18/2026 in the amount of $657,500.02
   ii) Dated 09/25/2026 in the amount of $4,294,911.70
b) Gross Payroll:
   i) For Pay Period ending 09/20/2026 in the amount of $1,607,928.45
c) Healthcare Benefits Payments:
   i) Highmark Blue Cross/Blue Shield:
      (1) Dated 09/15/2026 in the amount of $79,095.90
      (2) Dated 09/22/2026 in the amount of $45,311.80
      (3) Dated 09/29/2026 in the amount of $132,099.01
   ii) Geisinger:
      (1) Dated 09/15/2026 in the amount of $88,806.55
      (2) Dated 09/15/2026 in the amount of $2,548.26
      (3) Dated 09/21/2026 in the amount of $58,534.07
      (4) Dated 09/28/2026 in the amount of $125,477.36
   iii) Dental Claims:
      (1) Dated 09/18/2026 in the amount of $7,940.56
      (2) Dated 09/25/2026 in the amount of $9,288.61
      (3) Dated 09/29/2026 in the amount of $1,125.00
      (4) Dated 10/02/2026 in the amount of $8,369,60
   iv) Flexible Spending Account:
      (1) Dated 09/18/2026 in the amount of $1,640.50
      (2) Dated 09/21/2026 in the amount of $209.00
      (3) Dated 09/25/2026 in the amount of $559.91
      (4) Dated 10/02/2026 in the amount of $650.11

M-2026-294 Motion by Vice-Chairman Parker, seconded by Commissioner Laverdure and carried to approve/ratify the Travel Requests for the following: Conservation District, Juvenile Probation, Planning, Register & Recorder and Treasurer.

M-2026-295 Motion by Commissioner Laverdure, seconded by Vice-Chairman Parker and carried to approve the actions listed below as requested by Career Link:

a) Execute the following Subrecipient agreements with Pocono Counties Workforce Development Board:
   i) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Employment, Advancement and Retention Network (EARN) Activities for the term 07/01/2026 – 06/30/2027 with a maximum reimbursement amount of $55,000.00
   ii) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) Youth Development Program Services for the term 07/01/2026 – 06/30/2027 with a maximum reimbursement amount of $93,192.88
   iii) Adult, Dislocated Worker Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Title I Services for the term 07/01/2026 – 06/30/2027 with a maximum reimbursement amount of $1,329,238.11
   iv) Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA) Youth Activities for the term 07/01/2026 – 06/30/2027 with a maximum reimbursement amount of $600,032.17
b) Execute lease extension with Spring Hill Realty Inc to October 31, 2031 at the current base rent in the monthly amount of $5,783.75 and additional rent adjusted by the consumer price index (CPI) factor of $5,409.04

M-2026-296 Motion by Commissioner Laverdure, seconded by Vice-Chairman Parker and carried to approve the actions listed below as requested by Children and Youth Services:

a) Approve submittal of the Third Quarter Act 148 for FY 2025-2026 totaling $15,665,922.00
b) Ratify Adoption Assistance Agreements for the following:
   i) A.C.
   ii) A.C.
c) Approve Subsidized Permanent Legal Custodian Agreements for the following:
   i) N.C.
   ii) W.C.

d) Execute the following Purchase of Service Agreements for the period 07/01/2026 through 06/30/2027:
   i) Community Services Foundation Inc. with a contract limit of $160,000.00 (foster care)
   ii) Families United Network, Inc. with a contract limit of $50,000.00 (foster care)
   iii) Pure Lux Homes, LLC with a contract limit of $270,000.00 (group home)

M-2026-297 Motion by Commissioner Laverdure, seconded by Vice-Chairman Parker and carried to approve the actions listed below:

a) Ratify the Budget Adjustment Report dated 09/15/2026 totaling $8,922.00
b) Approve the Budget Adjustment Report dated 10/07/2026 totaling $31,219.00
c) Approve the use of Courthouse Square by GO Collaborative for the Spooky Stroudsburg Event and approve placement of a 20' "ghost tube man" on the Courthouse Square lawn on October 31, 2026 (contingent upon receipt of Hold Harmless Agreement and Certificate of Insurance)
d) Approve placement of 4' cement ghost figure to be placed on the grass next to the Courthouse steps for the period October 10, 2026, through October 31, 2026
e) Ratify authorization for the Chief Clerk/Administrator to accept the CCAP Insurance Program Volunteer Special Risk Accident Coverage Insurance in the amount of $448.50 for the period 10/01/2026 – 10/01/2027
f) Approve proposal from E.F. Possinger and Sons, Inc. for one (1) day of test pit digs at the proposed parking lot at 6th Street and Quaker Alley in the amount of $1,800.00
g) Ratify change order #2 with Sealcrete Contracting LLC for additional helix repairs on the parking deck in the amount of $49,840.00
h) Approve lease extensions for the period 01/01/2027 through 12/31/2031 with a 4% increase in year one and 0% increase for following 4 years:
   i) C&Y- 730 Phillips Street, 720 Phillips Street - Suite 100, 101, 102 and 103 =$21,572.98 monthly rent
   ii) Area Agency on Aging- 724 Phillips Street - Suite 102 =$7,197.37 monthly rent
   iii) Penn State Co-Op Extension- 724 Phillips Street - Suite 201 = $4,862.23 monthly rent
i) Accept proposal from Mid Atlantic Storage Systems, Inc. (COSTARS) for a new water tank and installation in the amount of $1,843,047.00
j) Approve submittal of 2026 Pennsylvania Opioid Misuse and Addiction Abatement Trust Certification Form
k) Approve/Ratify the following Opioid Grants from the Opioid Settlement Funds consistent with the uses allowed under the Opioid Settlement Agreement, Exhibit E:
   i) Memorandum of Understanding with AMZ Housing Solutions payment of $17,415.47 for house startup & stabilization
   ii) Kudu Creative payment of $4,765.32 for assorted LETI items
   iii) Memorandum of Understanding with Path to Peace $25,000.00 for case management and assessment services
l) Approve the Labor Agreement between the County of Monroe and Pennsylvania Social Services Union SEIU Local 668 for the period 01/01/2026 -12/31/2029
m) Award the Monroe County Conservation District Restroom Renovations bids opened on September 17, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. as follows:
   i) Plumbing Construction: Bognet Inc. $ 42,200.00
   ii) General Construction: Bognet Inc. $107,930.00
n) Add the following Vendors to the County List of Approved Vendors:
   i) Correctional Facility:
      (1) Hard Heads Veterans LLC
   ii) Office of Emergency Management:
      (1) Lion First Responder PPE, Inc.
   iii) Risk Management:
      (1) Lifesavers Inc.

M-2026-298 Motion by Vice-Chairman Parker, seconded by Commissioner Laverdure and carried to ratify submittal of the 2025-2026 Local Law Enforcement Gaming Grant Closing Documents as requested by the District Attorney's office.

M-2026-299 Motion by Commissioner Laverdure, seconded by Vice-Chairman Parker and carried to approve the actions listed below as requested by the Fiscal/Grants department:

a) Ratify the FFY 2025 State Homeland Security Grant Program Agreement in the amount of $1,305,107.00 for the period 09/01/2025 – 08/31/2028 and authorize Jennifer Barclay, Fiscal Director to electronically sign the agreement of behalf of the Commissioners (NEPA Regional Counter Terrorism Task Force)
b) Ratify authorization for Commissioner John D. Christy to sign Amendment No. 1 to the Program Management Agreement for The Emergency Food Assistance Program to extend existing agreement to 09/30/2027
c) Ratify authorization for Ashley Kerrick, Grants Manager, to electronically sign and submit the Intermediate Punishment Treatment Program grant application for the period 07/01/2026 – 06/30/2027 in the amount of $90,000.00 to continue support of a full-time case management specialist to complete drug and alcohol evaluations
d) Authorize Ashley Kerrick, Grants Manager, to electronically submit the Monroe County Wastewater Treatment Project grant application for the period 10/01/2025 – 10/01/2028 in the amount of $1,250,000.00 to support construction of the new wastewater treatment plant
e) Ratify authorization for Ashley Kerrick, Grants Manager, to electronically sign and submit the FY2026 Continuum of Care grant application for the period 01/01/2028 – 12/31/2028 in the amount of $313,371.00 to provide rental assistance and supportive services to eligible homeless households in Monroe and Pike counties
f) Ratify authorization for Ryan Brancato, Grants Writer, to electronically submit the FY27 Local Share Account (LSA) Monroe Grant application for the period to be determined in the amount of $142,805.00 to fund repairs and renovations at Loder Senior Center
g) Ratify authorization for Ryan Brancato, Grants Writer, to electronically submit the FY27 Local Share Account (LSA) Monroe Grant application for the period to be determined in the amount of $91,696.98 to replace aging Automated External Defibrillators and purchase evacuation chairs throughout Monroe County facilities
h) Ratify authorization for Ryan Brancato, Grants Writer, to electronically submit the Bureau of Justice Assistance FY 2026 Comprehensive Opioid, Stimulant, and Substance Use Site-Based Program (COSSUP) grant application for the period 10/01/2026 – 09/30/2029 in the amount of $1,218,885.00 to extend and leverage funds for the District Attorney's Opioid Crime Section as it works to become self-sustaining
i) Execute the FY 2025 Continuum of Care Grant-Rapid Rehousing contract (#PA1087L3T092503) with U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development for the period 01/01/2027 – 12/31/2027 in the amount of $313,371.00
j) Approve the 2026-2027 State Food Purchase Program (SFPP) sub-recipient allocations as listed below:

Bushkill Outreach	$	20,000
Christian Awareness Ministries	$	8,500
New Perspectives	$	11,500
Pleasant Valley Ecumenical Network	$	60,000
Pocono Mountain Ecumenical	$	47,000
Salvation Army-Pantry & Soup Kitchen	$	67,000
St. Matthews Catholic Church	$	18,000
TOP of the Mountain	$	34,951
Safe Monroe	$	12,000
2026-2027 Subrecipient SFPP Total	**$**	**278,951**

M-2026-300 Motion by Vice-Chairman Parker, seconded by Commissioner Laverdure and carried to approve the actions listed below as requested by Information Technology and Services:

a) Ratify approval of Plan Supplement with Fraser Advanced Information Systems for one (1) Sharp MX C428 copier at an additional charge of $23.48 per month for Prothonotary's office
b) Ratify approval of Change Request Form with CourtPro to import documents into CourtPro from Scan Tek at an estimated cost of $4,950.00
c) Ratify execution of customer consent to T-Mobile billing of third-party charges

d) Ratify extension of agreement with Park Place Technologies for the period 10/01/2026 to 12/31/2026 in the amount of $8,261.82

M-2026-301 Motion by Commissioner Laverdure, seconded by Vice-Chairman Parker and carried to acknowledge receipt of the 2026 Commodity Flow Study as requested by the Office of Emergency Management.

M-2026-302 Motion by Commissioner Laverdure, seconded by Vice-Chairman Parker and carried to approve the actions below as requested by the Pocono Mountains Economic Development Corporation:

a) Acknowledge receipt of the following 2025 Audits for the period ending 12/31/2025
   i) Monroe County Industrial Development Authority
   ii) Pocono Mountains Industries, Inc.
   iii) Pocono Mountains Industrial Park Authority

M-2026-303 Motion by Vice-Chairman Parker, seconded by Commissioner Laverdure and carried to approve the actions listed below:

a) Acknowledge receipt of the 2025 Audit for the period ending 12/31/2025
b) Ratify request for 3-Year Project Activity Completion Extension under CDBG FFY 2022 (C000086341) through July 18, 2027

M-2026-304 Motion by Commissioner Laverdure, seconded by Vice-Chairman Parker and carried to approve the Capital Purchases Report dated 10/07/2026 as follows:

DEPARTMENT	ACCOUNT #	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	QTY	ITEM	Vendor	AMOUNT
APPROVED CAPITAL:						
Risk Management	101.4111.2010.7850.0030	Safety Program	1	Lifeline View AED Standard Packag	Life Savers, Inc - Lowest Quote	$ 1,390.16
TOTAL APPROVED CAPITAL						**$ 1,390.16**
REQUESTS WITH TRANSFER: (see Budget Adjustment Report)						
TOTAL REQUESTS W/TRANSFER						**$ -**
GRANT FUNDED & OTHER:						
TOTAL GRANT FUNDED & OTHER						**$ -**
TOTAL CAPITAL REQUESTS						**$ 1,390.16**

Vice-Chairman Parker reminded everyone to purchase their tickets for the upcoming musical 1776 being presented October 23, 2026 through October 25, 2026 at Notre Dame High School in East Stroudsburg.

Commissioner Laverdure announced that the Pocono Mountains Visitors Bureau is holding a coat collection event today.

Chairman Christy asked if there was any public comment.

Julia Rettle spoke about the rally she is organizing to be held on October 24, 2026 in Courthouse Square against sexual violence and support of Jane Doe.

Thresa Pesce asked for clarification about the District Attorney's Opioid Crime Section Grant.

Chairman Christy provided clarification.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:00 a.m.

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Robert J. Gress, Chief Clerk/Administrator

M-2026-289 through M-2026-304