
From: McGinley, Tim
Sent: Thursday, January 02, 2020 11:06 AM
To: Kendra;Stephen Urban;lmcdermott@epix.net;WALTER GRIFFITH;Schnee, Robert
Subject: Swearing In Ceremony

Ladies and Gentlemen,

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Thanks,

Tim McGinley

From: WALTER GRIFFITH <imabari1@aol.com>
Sent: Thursday, January 02, 2020 2:55 PM
To: McGinley, Tim
Subject: [EXTERNAL]: Re: Swearing In Ceremony

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Chairman McGinley

I noticed that the agenda is posted online and want to let you know that I have two ordinances that I will be sending tonight to Sharon to include on the agenda for January 6, 2020. I will send them tonight so she will have plenty of time to get them on the agenda before our meeting on Monday. I apologize for not getting them to you today I forgot that the meeting was Monday instead of Tuesday. Thank you for your understanding

Sent from Walter Griffith iPhone

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Sent: Thursday, January 02, 2020 8:02 PM
To: Walter;LeeAnn McDermott;Kendra;Urban Jr Steve
Subject: FW: Program January 6, 2020
Attachments: PROGRAM 1-6-20 Swearing In Ceremony Program sll3.pdf

I'm not sure that any of you were copied on this email.

This is the program for Monday swearing in ceremony.

Linda

----- Original message -----

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Date: 1/2/20 12:33 PM (GMT-05:00)
To: Luzerne County Council Members <LCCM@luzernecounty.org>
Subject: Program January 6, 2020

Sharon Lawrence
Clerk of County Council
Luzerne County Courthouse
200 North River Street
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711
Email: sharon.lawrence@luzernecounty.org Phone (570) 825-1634

From: lindamcclosky.houck@luzernecounty.org
Sent: Thursday, January 02, 2020 8:07 PM
To: Walter;LeeAnn McDermott;Kendra;Urban Jr Steve
Subject: FW: Reorganization Meeting Agenda 1-6-20

Agenda for Monday meeting.

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From: Kendra Radle <radlekendra@gmail.com>
Sent: Friday, January 03, 2020 6:47 AM
To: Houck, Linda McClosky
Subject: [EXTERNAL]: Re: Program January 6, 2020

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Thanks Linda!

Sent from my iPhone

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From: LeeAnn McDermott <lamcdermott@epix.net>
Sent: Friday, January 03, 2020 12:09 PM
To: Houck, Linda McClosky
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Lee Ann

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From: WALTER GRIFFITH <imabari1@aol.com>
Sent: Friday, January 03, 2020 2:07 PM
To: Lawrence, Sharon;McGinley, Tim;Stephen Urban
Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL]: Re-organization program

Dear Council Chairman and Clerk to Council

Please be advised that Judge Richard Hughes III will be doing the swearing in ceremony for Walter L Griffith Jr and Steve J Urban. Please make the necessary changes to the program.

Sent from Walter Griffith iPhone

> On Jan 3, 2020, at 11:03 AM, Lawrence, Sharon <Sharon.Lawrence@luzernecounty.org> wrote:

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> Mr. Griffith,

> It is not a typo, thank you for checking.

> Sharon

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> Sharon Lawrence

> Clerk of County Council

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: WALTER GRIFFITH [mailto:imabari1@aol.com]

> Sent: Friday, January 3, 2020 10:29 AM

> To: Lawrence, Sharon <Sharon.Lawrence@luzernecounty.org>

> Subject: [EXTERNAL]: Re-organization program

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> Sharon

> I was looking over the program and I see listed two judges performing the ceremony. President judge vough and district judge Zola. Please advise if this is a typographical error by you or will there be two judges doing the ceremony.

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> Sent from Walter Griffith iPhone

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From: lindamcclosky.houck@luzernecounty.org
Sent: Saturday, January 04, 2020 12:37 PM
To: Kendra;Urban Jr Steve;Walter;LeeAnn McDermott
Subject: FW: REVISED Program

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Date: 1/3/20 3:31 PM (GMT-05:00)
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Subject: REVISED Program

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Sent: Saturday, January 04, 2020 12:34 PM
To: Kendra;Urban Jr Steve;Walter;LeeAnn McDermott
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From: Houck, Linda McClosky
Sent: Monday, January 06, 2020 3:53 PM
To: LeeAnn McDermott
Subject: FW: [EXTERNAL]:

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Date: 1/3/20 2:40 PM (GMT-05:00)
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January 3, 2020

New Council Members:

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Subject: Public comment and Sunshine Law

Council:

Please note that PA law requires agencies (such as County Council) to allow public comment PRIOR to the agency taking action on any item. It does not make a distinction between types of public meetings during which votes are taken, as was suggested by the solicitor present at tonight's meeting, nor is it contingent upon the presence of an elected Chair. Prior to the official action tonight of voting to select a Chair, the Clerk of Council was in fact the chair of the meeting. Public comment on the agenda items should have been permitted prior to any vote.

Linda Houck

<https://www.openrecords.pa.gov/SunshineAct.cfm>

OOR - Pennsylvania's Sunshine Act (Open Meetings Law)

The Pennsylvania Sunshine Act, 65 Pa.C.S. §§ 701-716, requires agencies to deliberate and take official action on agency business in an open and public meeting. It requires that meetings have prior notice, and that the public can attend, participate, and comment before an agency takes that official action.

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Sent: Tuesday, January 07, 2020 7:17 AM
To: McGinley, Tim; Luzerne County Council Members; Walter Griffith Jr; McDermott LeeAnn; Kendra Radle; Stephen Urban
Cc: Lawrence, Sharon
Subject: agenda item for next meeting's work session

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Real Estate Committee
Retirement Board (Preferred)
Airport Board
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Legislative Committee
Code review Committee (Preferred)
Act 13 Committee

Walter L Griffith Jr.
570-239-0025 Cell
570-696-1218 Home

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If you create a committee to revise the Manager Evaluation process, I would like to serve on that committee as well.

Thank you for your consideration of these requests.

Linda Houck

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To: LeeAnn McDermott
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL]: Re: County Council Committees

Yes.

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From: Griffith Jr., Walter
Sent: Wednesday, January 08, 2020 8:32 PM
To: McGinley, Tim
Subject: Agenda item for Jan 14

Dear Chairman McGinley

I am requesting that the ordinance that was introduced at the Jan 6 2020 meeting be placed on the agenda for a final vote. The Home Rule Charter does not require a public hearing on this ordinance but if there will be a public hearing I am requesting that this be scheduled prior to our voting meeting as well.

Walter L Griffith JR

Luzerne County Council

From: Griffith Jr., Walter
Sent: Wednesday, January 08, 2020 8:42 PM
To: Lawrence, Sharon; Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: Re: 2020 Council Meeting Schedule

Sharon

April 28 is primary Election Day. There is a conflict with this date.

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Luzerne County Council

From: Lawrence, Sharon <Sharon.Lawrence@luzernecounty.org>
Sent: Wednesday, January 8, 2020 7:45:31 PM
To: Luzerne County Council Members <LCCM@luzernecounty.org>
Subject: 2020 Council Meeting Schedule

Good Evening,

Please review the attached schedule for any conflicts, additions or deletions.

There was already a suggestion to move the December 22nd Meeting to December to December 15th.

Thank you!

Sharon

Sharon Lawrence
Clerk of County Council
Luzerne County Courthouse
200 North River Street
Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711
Email: sharon.lawrence@luzernecounty.org Phone (570) 825-1634

From: Griffith Jr., Walter
Sent: Wednesday, January 08, 2020 10:22 PM
To: Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: ADP Contract for 2020
Attachments: ADP (PDF).pdf; BF-ADP.pdf

Dear Council Chair McGinley

I was looking at the contracts that were approved by the County Manager and saw the ADP Contract was renewed for 2020. The Contract cover page states the contract is for \$130,000.00.

I am asking for you to contact the County Manager Pedri and ask why the Contract for ADP is listed at \$130,000.00

when the ADP Contract states that we are being charged \$5.50 per employee per month for 1500 employees for payroll services which totals \$99,000.00 and 3.15 per employee for W2 for 1700 employees, which totals \$5355.00 The total amount comes to \$104,355.00 not \$130,000.00 Please have the County Manager explain where the additional \$25,645.00 will be spent on with the ADP Contract.

Walter L Griffith Jr.
Luzerne County Council

From: WALTER GRIFFITH <imabari1@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 08, 2020 10:39 PM
To: Kendra
Cc: Urban Jr Steve; Luzerne County Council Members; LeeAnn McDermott
Subject: [EXTERNAL]: Re: County Council Bylaws

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All

I appreciate the email from my fellow County Council members and have removed my comments from the Facebook page.

Sent from Walter Griffith iPhone

On Jan 7, 2020, at 1:11 PM, Kendra <radlekendra@gmail.com> wrote:

Council,

Good Afternoon. We hope this email finds you well. Congratulations to fellow council members that were sworn in last night, as well as council members who were voted in to leadership roles. We look forward to working with each of you. As newcomers, we have spent a lot of time in recent weeks reading the Charter, the Administrative Code, and the County Council Bylaws. We would like to point out a section of the Bylaws that stands out to us:

Article III. Rules

Rule 1. Members of Council

Rule 1A: Member Conduct

Members shall at all times conduct themselves with courtesy and respect for their fellow officeholders, the Executive and members of the administration, county employees, and the public, and shall discharge their duties in accordance with the high public trust placed in them.

Taking to Facebook or any public forum to complain about fellow council members, air grievances, or attempt to unite a group of people against specific council members does not seem like "courtesy and respect". While it is understood that we are not going to all agree at all times, it is beneath the office we have been elected to serve in to be disrespectful to our colleagues in public. There is a way to go about attacking a person's ideas without attacking the person. Let us hope we can find that way.

All the best,

Kendra Radle & Lee Ann McDermott

From: Vough, Matthew
Sent: Thursday, January 09, 2020 4:18 PM
To: Kendra;McGinley, Tim
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Cc: Lawrence, Sharon
Subject: Tax Claim services contract

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Linda Houck

From: Houck, Linda McClosky
Sent: Thursday, January 09, 2020 11:37 PM
To: Lawrence, Sharon
Cc: McGinley, Tim
Subject: draft administrative code with proposed amendments for January 14 work session agenda discussion
Attachments: Administrative Code January 9 2020 draft.pdf

Please use this one - it has the "draft" watermark.

From: Griffith Jr., Walter
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2020 7:22 AM
To: Houck, Linda McClosky;McGinley, Tim;Luzerne County Council Members
Cc: Lawrence, Sharon
Subject: Re: Tax Claim services contract

Chairman McGinley

I would like to have the Principle Officers from Northeast Revenue attend our next scheduled Work Session to discuss their contract performance and the ability of County Council to extend their contract.

Walter L Griffith JR

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To: Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: Employee Job Change Report on the website for month of December
Attachments: August 2018 Personnel Transactions.pdf; December 2019 Personnel Transactions_3.pdf

Dear Chairman McGinley

I am requesting that the County Manager provide to the County Council Members an Employee Job Change Report for the month of December with the Annual Salary being listed, and not the Hourly Salary. There is no way that we can determine the salary of those employees were changed if the Position Budget lists them as Annual Salary and the Employee Report shows them as Hourly.

The Non Represented Employees, Director of Elections, are paid a salary and are paid according to Annual Wages not Hourly. Please ask the County Manager for a revised report. These reports were always listed as Annual Salary until September of 2018, which also showed any budget position changes, until ADP started doing the Payroll. I feel the past reports were easier to understand and were more transparent as to the changes that were being implemented.

Walter L Griffith Jr.
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From: Haas, Harry
Sent: Sunday, January 12, 2020 9:47 PM
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Subject: Re: [EXTERNAL]: Re: County Council Committees

Mr. Chairman,

I would like to serve on the Blighted Property Review Committee, and I am willing to help wherever there are other gaps.

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From: Walter Griffith <wlgriffith@aol.com>
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2020 3:08 PM
To: Griffith Jr., Walter
Subject: [EXTERNAL]: MS4 Resolution (stormwater fee)
Attachments: RESOLUTION NO MS4 County.docx

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Chairman McGinley,

I am asking that the enclosed resolution be placed on the agenda for tomorrow's voting session. The resolution is a resolution against the MS for stormwater fee that was recently placed on the residence of Luzerne County. I feel it very important to pass this resolution to inform our federal and state legislature that we are not in favor of the unfunded mandate that was recently imposed on the residence of this county.

I appreciate you placing this on the agenda for a vote at tomorrow's meeting.

Sent from Walter Griffith iPhone

From: Saidman, Sheila
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2020 4:21 PM
To: McGinley, Tim
Subject: Authorities Board and Commissions

Tim ...I would definitely like to remain on the ABC Committee and the Airport if possible. I will of course serve wherever you need me.

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From: Vough, Matthew
Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 7:53 AM
To: Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: Tonight

All,

Every year for work, we host a show in Texas and it always falls on a meeting day. Today is that day.

I wanted to give you the heads up that I will be calling in for the voting session and will then have to jump off to go back to work.

Thank you,

Matt

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From: McGinley, Tim
Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 12:21 PM
To: Griffith Jr., Walter
Subject: RE: Resolution for tomorrows Voting Agenda

Mr. Griffith,

This resolution will be added to the work session. It will be moved to the voting session with all of council consent.

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Walter L Griffith Jr.
Luzerne County Council

From: Griffith Jr., Walter
Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 12:34 PM
To: McGinley, Tim
Subject: Re: Resolution for tomorrows Voting Agenda

Mr. Chairman

Please explain to me why I cannot get the resolution on the voting session this evening. There are several resolutions in the past that were brought up at the voting meeting and voted upon at last minute. The retreat corrections officer and the Whitehaven center are two that come to mind in fact we call a special meeting for those meetings. Why is this one different?

Walter L Griffith JR

Luzerne County Council

From: McGinley, Tim <Tim.McGinley@luzernecounty.org>
Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 12:21:09 PM
To: Griffith Jr., Walter <Walter.Griffith@luzernecounty.org>
Subject: RE: Resolution for tomorrows Voting Agenda

Mr. Griffith,

This resolution will be added to the work session. It will be moved to the voting session with all of council consent.

Tim McGinley

From: Griffith Jr., Walter
Sent: Monday, January 13, 2020 7:22 PM
To: Luzerne County Council Members <LCCM@luzernecounty.org>; Lawrence, Sharon <Sharon.Lawrence@luzernecounty.org>; McGinley, Tim <Tim.McGinley@luzernecounty.org>
Subject: Resolution for tomorrows Voting Agenda

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Walter L Griffith Jr.
Luzerne County Council

From: Griffith Jr., Walter
Sent: Tuesday, January 14, 2020 2:42 PM
To: Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: Revised Resolution for discussion at tonights Work Session
Attachments: RESOLUTION NO MS4 County rev1.pdf

County Council

I have been informed by Chairman McGinley that the Resolution regarding the Stormwater Fee will be discussed at tonight's work session and not the Voting Session. I have made a few corrections in the Resolution and have attached the corrected version for your review. Thanks for your consideration and cooperation.

Walter L Griffith Jr.
Luzerne County Council

From: Urban, Stephen J
Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2020 1:41 AM
To: Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: Retirement Board Meeting Minutes

Chair McGinley,

I was trying to look over the Retirement Board meeting minutes and noticed the last time any minutes were posted are from April 18, 2018. Can we have the County website updated with all the minutes from April 18, 2018 to current date?

Thanks,

Stephen J. Urban
Member of County Council
Luzerne County, PA

From: Urban, Stephen J
Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2020 2:17 AM
To: Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: VPN/New World Access

Chair McGinley,

Please follow-up and ask Mr Pedri to have his staff set up VPN and New World access, log in instructions so that we may start looking at the Financials of the County. I am requesting Read Only access to all budget accounts and checking accounts within the County. I know there may be DA accounts that she may deem confidential, however, any and all money amounts should be public record.

Thanks

Stephen J. Urban
Member of County Council
Luzerne County, PA

From: WALTER GRIFFITH <imabari1@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2020 7:30 AM
To: Kendra
Cc: Urban Jr Steve; Luzerne County Council Members; LeeAnn McDermott
Subject: [EXTERNAL]: Re: County Council Bylaws

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All

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Sent from Walter Griffith iPhone

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All the best,

Kendra Radle & Lee Ann McDermott

From: McGinley, Tim
Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2020 9:24 AM
To: Urban, Stephen J
Subject: RE: Retirement Board Meeting Minutes

Mr. Urban,

Please send your request to the Retirement Board through Mr. Hummer.

Tim McGinley

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Luzerne County Council

From: WALTER GRIFFITH <imabari1@aol.com>
Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2020 11:32 AM
To: McGinley, Tim; Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: [EXTERNAL]: County Manager behavior.

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Chairman McGinley,

Thank you very much for the reply and I appreciate the fact that you spoke to the county manager regarding his conduct toward Councilman Urban and myself.

In the future I will not tolerate that type of behavior toward any member of County Council from a hired county manager, whom we are responsible for, to the people of Luzerne County.

I will be making up a resolution of reprimand and I will be submitting it in the future for a vote of council when any of these situations arise. I feel important that this county manager understands that he is not the 12th member of council and should provide the respect and decorum that each of us deserve as elected officials and I will certainly do the same with my behavior toward members of council, as well as the County manager.

We all need to realize we work for the betterment of the county and its residents and the ability of the County Manager to belittle or attempt to embarrass anyone, including the Public, during public comment will not be tolerated.

Thank you
Walter Griffith.

On Jan 15, 2020, at 9:22 AM, McGinley, Tim <Tim.McGinley@luzernecounty.org> wrote:

Mr. Griffith,

I have already spoken with Mr. Pedri last evening.

Tim McGinley

From: WALTER GRIFFITH [mailto:imabari1@aol.com]
Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2020 7:30 AM
To: Kendra <radlekendra@gmail.com>
Cc: Urban Jr Steve <stevejurban@gmail.com>; Luzerne County Council Members <LCCM@luzernecounty.org>; LeeAnn McDermott <lamcdermott@epix.net>
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Sent: Wednesday, January 15, 2020 8:12 PM
To: Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: County Manager Employment Contract

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Walter L Griffith Jr.
Member of Luzerne County Council

From: McGinley, Tim
Sent: Thursday, January 16, 2020 11:13 AM
To: Griffith Jr., Walter
Subject: RE: County Manager Employment Contract

I will have a copy for you.

From: Griffith Jr., Walter
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To: Luzerne County Council Members <LCCM@luzernecounty.org>
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Member of Luzerne County Council

From: Griffith Jr., Walter
Sent: Thursday, January 16, 2020 11:20 AM
To: McGinley, Tim
Subject: Re: County Manager Employment Contract

Please email me that copy

Walter L Griffith JR

Luzerne County Council

From: McGinley, Tim <Tim.McGinley@luzernecounty.org>
Sent: Thursday, January 16, 2020 11:12:39 AM
To: Griffith Jr., Walter <Walter.Griffith@luzernecounty.org>
Subject: RE: County Manager Employment Contract

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From: McGinley, Tim
Sent: Thursday, January 16, 2020 12:16 PM
To: Griffith Jr., Walter
Subject: Manager Contract
Attachments: Manager Contract.pdf

From: McGinley, Tim
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2020 10:06 AM
To: Griffith Jr., Walter
Subject: RE: Union contract for corrections

Mr. Griffith,

Sent request to Mr. Pedri. He reappplied that they will provide the information requested.

The information should be available on Tuesday 1/22/2020.

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Walter L Griffith JR

Luzerne County Council

From: Griffith Jr., Walter
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2020 12:25 PM
To: McGinley, Tim
Subject: Re: Union contract for corrections

Thank you!

Walter L Griffith JR

Luzerne County Council

From: McGinley, Tim <Tim.McGinley@luzernecounty.org>
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2020 10:06:27 AM
To: Griffith Jr., Walter <Walter.Griffith@luzernecounty.org>
Subject: RE: Union contract for corrections

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Luzerne County Council

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Voting)

Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 3/10/2020 6:30 PM

End: Tue 3/10/2020 7:30 PM

Show Time As: Free

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Pedri, David; Parsnik, David; Palermo, Morgan; Luzerne County Council Members; Szumski, Brian; Swetz, Brian; Makowski, Mark; Jinks, Joanna; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Musto, Jen; Shaw, Sandy; Crocamo, Romilda; Thomas, Jennifer

Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Work)
Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 3/10/2020 8:00 PM
End: Tue 3/10/2020 9:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Griffith Jr., Walter; Luzerne County Council Members; Perry, Chris; Haas, Harry; Vough, Matthew; Swetz, Brian; Urban, Stephen J; Palermo, Morgan; Crocamo, Romilda; Szumski, Brian; Makowski, Mark; Jinks, Joanna; Musto, Jen; Thomas, Jennifer; Radle, Kendra; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Pedri, David; Parsnik, David; Shaw, Sandy

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Work)

Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 3/24/2020 8:00 PM

End: Tue 3/24/2020 9:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Palermo, Morgan; Radle, Kendra; Thomas, Jennifer; Musto, Jen; Luzerne County Council Members; Griffith Jr., Walter; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Makowski, Mark; Szumski, Brian; Pedri, David; Perry, Chris; Shaw, Sandy; Parsnik, David; Haas, Harry; Urban, Stephen J; Swetz, Brian; Vough, Matthew; Crocamo, Romilda; Jinks, Joanna

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Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 3/24/2020 6:30 PM
End: Tue 3/24/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Shaw, Sandy; Szumski, Brian; Palermo, Morgan; Luzerne County Council Members; Pedri, David; Makowski, Mark; Musto, Jen; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Thomas, Jennifer; Crocamo, Romilda; Parsnik, David; Swetz, Brian; Jinks, Joanna

Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Work)

Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 4/14/2020 8:00 PM

End: Tue 4/14/2020 9:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Pedri, David; Jinks, Joanna; Crocamo, Romilda; Urban, Stephen J; Perry, Chris; Szumski, Brian; Haas, Harry; Shaw, Sandy; Swetz, Brian; Radle, Kendra; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Thomas, Jennifer; Parsnik, David; Musto, Jen; Luzerne County Council Members; Palermo, Morgan; Griffith Jr., Walter; Vough, Matthew; Makowski, Mark

Subject: Counc
Location: Council Meeting Room
Start: Tue 4/14/2020 6:30 PM
End: Tue 4/14/2020 7:30 PM
Recurrence: (none)
Meeting Status: Meeting organizer
Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann
Required Attendees: Pedri, David; Musto, Jen; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Palermo, Morgan; Thomas, Jennifer; Crocamo, Romilda; Makowski, Mark; Luzerne County Council Members; Shaw, Sandy; Jinks, Joanna; Swetz, Brian; Szumski, Brian; Parsnik, David
Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Voting)
Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Mon 4/27/2020 6:30 PM
End: Mon 4/27/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Pedri, David; Palermo, Morgan; Crocamo, Romilda; Swetz, Brian; Thomas, Jennifer; Jinks, Joanna; Parsnik, David; Musto, Jen; Makowski, Mark; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Szumski, Brian; Shaw, Sandy; Luzerne County Council Members

Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Voting)
Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 5/12/2020 6:30 PM
End: Tue 5/12/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Makowski, Mark; Palermo, Morgan; Pedri, David; Crocamo, Romilda; Jinks, Joanna; Thomas, Jennifer; Szumski, Brian; Parsnik, David; Musto, Jen; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Swetz, Brian; Luzerne County Council Members; Shaw, Sandy

Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Voting)
Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 5/26/2020 6:30 PM
End: Tue 5/26/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Szumski, Brian; Musto, Jen; Crocamo, Romilda; Parsnik, David; Swetz, Brian; Shaw, Sandy; Makowski, Mark; Luzerne County Council Members; Jinks, Joanna; Pedri, David; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Palermo, Morgan; Thomas, Jennifer

Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Voting)
Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 6/9/2020 6:30 PM
End: Tue 6/9/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Parsnik, David; Swetz, Brian; Szumski, Brian; Shaw, Sandy; Pedri, David; Thomas, Jennifer; Luzerne County Council Members; Palermo, Morgan; Makowski, Mark; Crocamo, Romilda; Musto, Jen; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Jinks, Joanna

Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

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Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 6/23/2020 6:30 PM
End: Tue 6/23/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Musto, Jen; Crocamo, Romilda; Pedri, David; Makowski, Mark; Szumski, Brian; Parsnik, David; Palermo, Morgan; Shaw, Sandy; Thomas, Jennifer; Swetz, Brian; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Jinks, Joanna; Luzerne County Council Members

Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Voting)
Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 7/14/2020 6:30 PM
End: Tue 7/14/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Shaw, Sandy; Thomas, Jennifer; Musto, Jen; Makowski, Mark; Szumski, Brian; Pedri, David; Parsnik, David; Jinks, Joanna; Crocamo, Romilda; Swetz, Brian; Palermo, Morgan; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Luzerne County Council Members

Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Voting)
Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 7/28/2020 6:30 PM
End: Tue 7/28/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Luzerne County Council Members; Parsnik, David; Thomas, Jennifer; Makowski, Mark; Musto, Jen; Pedri, David; Szumski, Brian; Jinks, Joanna; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Crocamo, Romilda; Shaw, Sandy; Swetz, Brian; Palermo, Morgan

Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Voting)
Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 8/11/2020 6:30 PM
End: Tue 8/11/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Makowski, Mark; Parsnik, David; Pedri, David; Szumski, Brian; Shaw, Sandy; Palermo, Morgan; Musto, Jen; Thomas, Jennifer; Swetz, Brian; Luzerne County Council Members; Jinks, Joanna; Crocamo, Romilda

Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Voting)
Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 8/25/2020 6:30 PM
End: Tue 8/25/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Pedri, David; Palermo, Morgan; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Thomas, Jennifer; Parsnik, David; Luzerne County Council Members; Musto, Jen; Makowski, Mark; Swetz, Brian; Jinks, Joanna; Szumski, Brian; Shaw, Sandy; Crocamo, Romilda

Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Voting)
Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 9/8/2020 6:30 PM
End: Tue 9/8/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Crocamo, Romilda; Szumski, Brian; Makowski, Mark; Swetz, Brian; Musto, Jen; Shaw, Sandy; Palermo, Morgan; Thomas, Jennifer; Luzerne County Council Members; Pedri, David; Parsnik, David; Jinks, Joanna

Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Voting)

Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 9/22/2020 6:30 PM

End: Tue 9/22/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Szumski, Brian; Luzerne County Council Members; Makowski, Mark; Shaw, Sandy; Thomas, Jennifer; Pedri, David; Palermo, Morgan; Swetz, Brian; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Crocamo, Romilda; Jinks, Joanna; Parsnik, David; Musto, Jen

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Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Palermo, Morgan; Jinks, Joanna; Crocamo, Romilda; Szumski, Brian; Shaw, Sandy; Pedri, David; Musto, Jen; Parsnik, David; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Luzerne County Council Members; Swetz, Brian; Thomas, Jennifer; Makowski, Mark

Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

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Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 10/27/2020 6:30 PM
End: Tue 10/27/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Thomas, Jennifer; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Szumski, Brian; Parsnik, David; Pedri, David; Musto, Jen; Luzerne County Council Members; Jinks, Joanna; Swetz, Brian; Shaw, Sandy; Palermo, Morgan; Crocamo, Romilda; Makowski, Mark

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Recurrence: (none)

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Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Voting)
Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 12/8/2020 6:30 PM
End: Tue 12/8/2020 7:30 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

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Optional Attendees: Haas, Harry

Subject: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Work)

Location: Council Meeting Room

Start: Tue 12/8/2020 8:00 PM

End: Tue 12/8/2020 9:00 PM

Recurrence: (none)

Meeting Status: Meeting organizer

Organizer: McDermott, Lee Ann

Required Attendees: Luzerne County Council Members; Musto, Jen; Swetz, Brian; Haas, Harry; Jinks, Joanna; Perry, Chris; Vough, Matthew; Crake-Lapsansky, Shannon; Griffith Jr., Walter; Palermo, Morgan; Szumski, Brian; Pedri, David; Thomas, Jennifer; Urban, Stephen J; Parsnik, David; Crocamo, Romilda; Makowski, Mark; Shaw, Sandy; Radle, Kendra

From: Griffith Jr., Walter
Sent: Friday, January 17, 2020 3:00 PM
To: McDermott, Lee Ann
Subject: Accepted: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Work)

From: Haas, Harry
Sent: Sunday, January 19, 2020 8:42 AM
To: McDermott, Lee Ann
Subject: Accepted: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Voting)

From: Haas, Harry
Sent: Sunday, January 19, 2020 8:42 AM
To: McDermott, Lee Ann
Subject: Accepted: Counc

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Sent: Sunday, January 19, 2020 8:45 AM
To: McDermott, Lee Ann
Subject: Accepted: COUNCIL MEETINGS (Work)

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Sent: Monday, January 20, 2020 8:07 AM
To: Lawrence, Sharon;McGinley, Tim
Subject: Abcs

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From: McGinley, Tim
Sent: Monday, January 20, 2020 5:14 PM
To: Vough, Matthew
Subject: RE: Abcs

Council Member Vough,

Everyone on council will get all the information for each candidate.

Tim McGinley

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To: Lawrence, Sharon; Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: ABC Committee Form

Sharon

Please advise where the ABC Committee form is located on the website? I have had several people ask to fill out a form so they could be interviewed but could not find the form on the web site.

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To: McGinley, Tim
Subject: Re: Wyoming Valley Airport Board

Thanks for the information. I certainly would have appreciated this information without requesting it. I also appreciate the ability to serve on the Wyoming Valley airport as well.

Walter L Griffith JR

Luzerne County Council

From: McGinley, Tim <Tim.McGinley@luzernecounty.org>
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2020 2:01:22 PM
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Cc: Luzerne County Council Members
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Thank you for the information.

Linda Houck

----- Original message -----

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Date: 1/21/20 1:16 PM (GMT-05:00)
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Sent: Thursday, January 23, 2020 8:29 AM
To: Lawrence, Sharon;McGinley, Tim
Subject: New World Training tomorrow

Dear chair McGinley

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Walter L Griffith JR

Luzerne County Council

From: Houck, Linda McClosky
Sent: Thursday, January 23, 2020 2:17 PM
To: Lawrence, Sharon
Cc: Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: draft Administrative Code for work session
Attachments: Administrative Code January 23 2020 draft.pdf

Council:

Attached is a draft of the Administrative Code with amendments as proposed by the Code Review Committee as well as some individual council members during the past week. Please review for discussion on the CONTENT of the draft.

The Organizational Chart at the end will be revised when the amendments to the Code are complete, and the formatting of the entire document will also take place at that time.

Linda Houck

From: Griffith Jr., Walter
Sent: Thursday, January 23, 2020 2:51 PM
To: Houck, Linda McClosky;Lawrence, Sharon
Cc: Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: Re: draft Administrative Code for work session

Linda

Thank you for your hard work on this document. I know it is a work in progress and I know it takes a lot of time. I appreciate your efforts and your abilities to make this the best document at the present time.

Walter L Griffith JR

Luzerne County Council

From: Houck, Linda McClosky <LindaMcClosky.Houck@luzernecounty.org>
Sent: Thursday, January 23, 2020 2:17:25 PM
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Linda Houck

From: McGinley, Tim
Sent: Friday, January 24, 2020 10:22 AM
To: Griffith Jr., Walter
Subject: RE: New World Training tomorrow

Mr. Griffith,

I asked Mr. Swetz to contact New World regarding the audio taping.

Tim McGinley

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Luzerne County Council

From: Griffith Jr., Walter
Sent: Saturday, January 25, 2020 12:05 PM
To: Luzerne County Council Members
Cc: Lawrence, Sharon
Subject: Legal notice today

County Council

Please advise if there is a public hearing on Tuesday January 28 on an ordinance of council. The legal ad displayed shows we will have a meeting to discuss ordinance 2018-04. What ordinance is this ? Who introduced it ? Why is the date 2018?

LEGAL NOTICE

COUNTY OF LUZERNE, PENNSYLVANIA

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ORDINANCE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the County Council of the County of Luzerne, Pennsylvania, will hold a Public Hearing on Tuesday, January 28, 2020, at 5:45PM in the Council Meeting Room of the Luzerne County Courthouse, 200 North River Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, for the purpose of considering and acting upon a proposed ordinance repealing Luzerne County Ordinance No. 2018-04.

A copy of the full proposed text of the ordinance may be examined by any citizen in the office of Sharon Lawrence, Clerk of County Council, Luzerne County Courthouse, County Council Office, 200 North River Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pennsylvania, on business days between the hours of 9:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. and can be found at www.luzernecounty.org.

COUNTY OF LUZERNE

Sharon Lawrence, Clerk of County Council

Walter L Griffith JR

Luzerne County Council

From: Griffith Jr., Walter
Sent: Sunday, January 26, 2020 4:56 PM
To: Urban, Stephen J; Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: Re: 3rd Class County Prison Spreadsheet

Steve

The spread sheets are very helpful and thanks for doing the extra work. The county manager stated that we were paying our CO's about the same as other third class counties but as we can see that's not accurate. This contract will cost the taxpayers over 2 million dollars additional over the next 5 years and also an additional 150,000.00 in additional uniform funding as well as place the funding for the uniforms in the control of the Vendors and not the County so accountability for the spending is comprised. This is unacceptable accountability by the County. Thanks for the information and hard work.

Walter L Griffith JR

Luzerne County Council

From: Urban, Stephen J <Stephen.Urban@luzernecounty.org>
Sent: Sunday, January 26, 2020 12:34:49 PM
To: Luzerne County Council Members <LCCM@luzernecounty.org>
Subject: 3rd Class County Prison Spreadsheet

All,

I took the time to file Right To Know Requests with all 3rd Class Counties in the Commonwealth seeking current salary information and healthcare costs. I conduct my own research to make more informed decisions before voting on some issues that will have a very long lasting impact on Luzerne County and our taxpayers' future.

5 Counties filed additional time extensions but most were beyond cooperative and professional. Some had information back within 24 hours to 2 business days. Luzerne County could learn by example as I am still seeking the same type of information from prior to being sworn in. Honestly, it's an embarrassment one cannot easily receive the most basic HR information in the format requested without push-back.

Attached is my own breakdown of information by County. There are tabs with additional notes and spreadsheet information on their healthcare costs.

As you will see, Luzerne County has the highest number of prison employees so far with a middle of the road population of residents. Some larger 3rd class counties have considerable less employees with more residents.

My takeaway, we may start our COs off at a slightly lower rate than most, however, the days off and other perks are much more in depth than others such as time off. Maybe we should look at tiering healthcare costs and ask the County to negotiate with the unions where the premise is "The ones who can afford to pay the most pay the least".

In the future, I would like to break down what % we are paying in Luzerne County for all time off in the Dept of Corrections and other areas before voting on any contract or increases.

Stephen J. Urban
Member of County Council
Luzerne County, PA

From: Houck, Linda McClosky
Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 4:09 PM
To: Luzerne County Council Members
Subject: Procedural thoughts

Council,

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It is that context that I hope you understand when looking at procedural changes being essentially dictated to us at Tuesday's meeting. The fact is, **we never did** some of the things that were mandated on Tuesday's precisely because in 2012 we all read the Charter and wrote the Admin Code and the Bylaws, with Mr. DeLuca as advisor, and we all understood the responsibilities of the Chair to be what they are.

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Sent: Thursday, January 30, 2020 4:12 PM
To: McGinley, Tim
Subject: Forty Fort Airport Board

Mr Chairman

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Walter L Griffith JR

Luzerne County Council

From: McGinley, Tim
Sent: Friday, January 31, 2020 11:26 AM
To: Griffith Jr., Walter
Subject: RE: Forty Fort Airport Board

Mr. Griffith,

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To: Houck, Linda McClosky
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