

Veterans Service Hours

By State Rep. Joe Emrick

NAZARETH - In a partnership with the Pennsylvania American Legion, I offer veterans outreach hours in our Nazareth district office at the Nazareth Borough Office Building, 134 S. Main St., Nazareth, the first Monday of the month, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Services to veterans and their dependents include assistance with: Compensation, pension and death benefits, education and health care and other veterans' benefits.

Veterans do not need to be a member of the American Legion to receive these services. To make an appointment with a service officer, please call my offices at 610-746-5090 or 610-588-8011. Above, I am pictured with Bill McGovern, American Legion Department Service Officer.

## County Executive's Report

## By Becky Bartlett

EASTON - The following announcements were included in Lamont McClure's Executive Report to County Council at their March 3rd meeting.

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The books from last year closed with a fund balance of \$61 million. With the reduced revenue from the 8.5% cut in 2022 Real Estate taxes, the County has \$54 million on hand—the same balance the last time the books closed.

Lamont McClure delivered a "Certificate of Appreciation" to Betsy Daly, RN. Nurse Daly recently vaccinated the 1,000th patient at the COVID-19 drive-through testing center at Coordinated Health in Bethlehem Township. The site is a partnership between LVHN and Northampton County and began offering vaccines in June 2020.

In response to the unprovoked war of aggression in Ukraine, Mr. McClure has ordered the County to liquidate any holdings linked to Russia in the County's Pension Fund and Other Post Employment Benefits (OPEB) as soon as the Russian markets are unfrozen. Approximately 0.7% of holdings in the Pension Fund are linked to Russia.

Currently there are no cases of COVID-19 at Northampton County Prison and no cases among residents at Gracedale Nursing Home; one Gracedale employee is currently in quarantine.





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