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**Minutes of the Meeting of
May 30, 2017
Board Room, Executive Plaza
Pine Street, Williamsport**

Commissioner McKernan - Present
Commissioner Mussare - Present
Commissioner Mirabito - Present

Assistant Solicitor Wiley - Present

1.0 OPERATIONS

1.1 CONVENE COMMISSIONERS MEETING. The meeting was convened at 10:00 a.m.

Proposals were opened for Re-Entry Service Center (2 bidders).

Mr. Mirabito commented that the courts suggested that there is a conflict of interest with regard to Firetree Ltd's bid for the Re-Entry Service Center. Mr. Mirabito clarified he is on the Firetree Place Board, and there is no conflict of interest. He also mentioned that recently a request to sign a non-disclosure agreement with regard to the proposals received for the Re-Entry Center. He emphasized that none of the Commissioners signed them.

2.0 ACTION ITEMS

2.1 APPROVE CASH REQUIREMENTS REPORT. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved accounts payable cash requirement report through June 7, 2017, for payment on May 31, 2017, in the amount of \$1,523,911.39.

2.2 APPROVE PURCHASE FROM SUNBURY MOTORS . A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved purchase of Ford F350 from Sunbury Motors in the amount of \$33,900 off of costars contract for the West Nile Virus Program.

2.3 APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH PENNVEST. A motion by Mr. Mussare and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (3-0), approved Nutrient Credit Sales Agreement with the Pennsylvania Infrastructure Investment Authority.

Mr. McKernan recessed the Commissioners' Meeting at 10:22 a.m.

An Executive Session was held to discuss legal matters.

Mr. McKernan reconvened the Commissioners' Meeting at 10:26 a.m.

2.4 AWARD CONTRACT TO FRED HOLLAND. A motion by Mr. Mussare and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (3-0), awarded contract for Zoning Hearing Board Solicitor to Fred Holland in the amount of \$125.00/hour. Mr. Hausammann explained that this position will use 10-15 hours per month, and can be from 9-11 months per year. Mr. Mirabito asked the Solicitor if there is any conflict as he has used Mr. Holland in the past for business purposes. Solicitor Wiley said that there appears to be no conflicts.

6.0 COMMISSIONER COMMENT. The floor was opened to commissioner comment and the following were received:

- Mr. Mussare explained that it is important to understand the Commissioners have the responsibility of budget. This Board needs to reverse the trend of deficit budgeting. The reason questions are asked is because they are
- Mr. Mussare also mentioned that he previously had asked Firetree Ltd to put in a proposal for the Re-Entry Center and they had declined to do so at that time.
- Mr. Mussare was adamant that he sees no conflict of interest regarding Mr. Mirabito and his relationship with Firetree.
- Mr. Mussare said he does not share Mr. Mirabito's opinion of the Courts, that they do a great job.
- Mr. Mirabito agreed he is not looking to make a rift with the Courts. He feels that misinformation was provided by the President Judge that he is sharing confidential and proprietary information and being asked to sign a non-disclosure agreement.
- Mr. Mirabito emphasized that transparency and accountability is important in Government.

7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT. The floor was opened to public comment and the following were received:

Chad Riley, Constable, explained he had recently run for the position of Sheriff. He and three colleagues were let go by the Sheriff and not given an explanation as to why. He felt that he and the other three (two were let go Friday and one several weeks

prior and he was let go Tuesday) did not violate any contracts. The four of them are very unhappy, and do not feel it is right. They feel that their rights have been violated.

Mr. Mirabito said that he had heard about this on Saturday and he is disturbed to hear this now. He asked if it is statutorily defined that the Sheriff control the warrants and which constables are used?

Mr. Riley explained that this is the only county where it is done this way.

Mr. Mirabito said that he will look into this. He then invited the four of them to return to the public meeting on Thursday night to continue the discussion.

8.0 NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING. Mr. McKernan announced the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held Thursday, June 1, 2017, at 6:00 p.m.

9.0 ADJOURN COMMISSIONERS' MEETING. The meeting was adjourned at 10:52 a.m.