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**Minutes of the Meeting of
February 27, 2018
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 10:03 a.m.

Bids were opened for the following:
Equipment Tire & Tire Repair (2 bidders)

2.0 ACTION ITEMS

2.1 APPROVE AGREEMENT WITH THOMPSON REUTERS. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved agreement with Thompson Reuters for West Law book subscription. Adrienne Stahl explained this will cost \$485.20/month and is for a ten year period.

2.2 APPROVE CASH REQUIREMENTS REPORT. A motion by Mr. Mussare and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (3-0), approved accounts payable cash requirement report through March 7, 2018, for payment on February 28, 2018 in the amount of \$703,711.

2.3 ADOPT RESOLUTION 2018-07. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), adopted resolution 2018-07 for the closing of 335 Fritz Station Road, Montgomery, PA.

2.4 AWARD CONTRACT TO PFM. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved contract for Early Intervention Program to PFM contingent upon EIP grant award.

The following discussion occurred prior to the vote.

Mr. Mussare said this would be to generate a plan to set up future boards with information in writing.

Mr. Mirabito said that this was not the least expensive option that was submitted, but it is the best choice.

Mr. McKernan added that this should be completed so that it could be incorporated in the 2019 budget. The process will allow for public input.

Director McDermott explained that the County is not in financial distress, although the IEP is often used for those types of situations. Instead, this is to better the County so it does not become distressed.

Todd Lauer asked Mr. Mirabito why he is being contradictory in that he was against GEO Reentry to provide reentry services, and they were more expensive. In this instance this is not the lowest cost option.

Mr. Mirabito replied that the value for the cost was not there with GEO. Also, the total cost of this project is much less. This will also provide for a written document for those who come after us.

Chad Riley of Cogan Station commented that knowledge without action makes no sense. What if the recommendations are not implemented?

Mr. Mirabito clarified that this is also a way to access state funding. The state will continue to pay 50% of implementation.

Mr. McKernan emphasized that public input is an important part of the process. Acting on the plan is also important.

Mr. Mirabito added that another portion this will address is the technology being used. We [the County] has spent a lot of money on technology.

2.5 APPROVE IEP GRANT APPLICATION TO DCED. A motion by Mr. Mussare and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (3-0), approved Early Intervention Grant application to Department of Community and Economic Development in the amount of \$164,000.

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

Mr. Mussare said that the NACo conference is coming up. Among several subjects that will be discussed are the Biggart Waters, the opioid epidemic, and infrastructure. There is a very full agenda.

Mr. McKernan spoke about levee funding.

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

Larry Stout of Clinton Township said he attended Mayor Campana's conference on safe school initiative. He suggested that the schools need to plan for every contingency and practice it. He suggested that the County should

take the initiative and the lead in this. There is a need to plan for the worst case scenarios. These need to be practiced like fire drills.

Mr. Mussare asserted that schools are doing this.

Mr. Mirabito said that we need to have a bigger conversation and we need to talk as a community.

Todd Lauer requested a special meeting to hear excess public comment.

Mr. McKernan said that we need to look at holding a night meeting for this.

8.0 NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING. Mr. McKernan announced the next regularly scheduled meeting to be held Thursday, March 1, 2018.

9.0 ADJOURN COMMISSIONERS' MEETING. The meeting was adjourned at 11:11 a.m.