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**Minutes of the Meeting of
April 12, 2018
Board Room, Executive Plaza
Pine Street, Williamsport**

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

Solicitor Smith - Present

1.0 OPERATIONS

1.1 CONVENE COMMISSIONERS MEETING. Mr. McKernan convened the Commissioners Meeting 10:04 a.m.

1.2 APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved the minutes of the previous meeting as they are recorded.

1.3 RECEIVE PUBLIC COMMENTS (AGENDA ITEMS ONLY). Mr. McKernan opened the floor to public comment on agenda items only, and none were received.

2.0 ACTION ITEMS

2.1 APPROVE PURCHASE FROM APR SUPPLY CO. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved purchase of 2 - new 2018 Modine Heaters with related parts from APR Supply Company thru the PA Costars in the amount of \$13,890.67.

2.2 APPROVE AMENDMENT 1 TO PSA WITH OVERHEAD DOOR CO. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved amendment 1 to professional service agreement with Overhead Door Company.

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2.3 APPROVE AMENDMENT TO AGREEMENT WITH DEACON EQUIPMENT CO.

A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved amendment 2 to agreement with Deacon Equipment Co. for Tub Grinder supplies.

2.4 APPROVE CHANGE ORDER 3 FOR GAS SYSTEM. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved Change Order Number-3 for the Energy Power Partners gas system integration (flare yard project), extending it for an additional 28 days.

2.5 APPROVE PURCHASE FROM APR SUPPLY CO. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved purchase of 2 new 2018 Modine Heaters with related parts from APR Supply Company through the PA Costars contract in the amount of \$13,890.67.

2.6 APPROVE QUOTE FROM ARRAYA SOLUTIONS. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved quote from Arraya Solutions for VMWare Licensing and Support off of COSTARS in the amount of \$60,465.16.

2.7 APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH LYCOMING POLICE CAMP CADET. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved Grant & Monitoring Agreement with Lycoming Police Camp Cadet Foundation Inc. in the amount of \$3,000.

2.8 APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH LYCOMING FIRE POLICE ASSOC. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved Grant & Monitoring Agreement with Lycoming County Fire Police Association in the amount of \$1,500.

2.9 APPROVE GRANT AGREEMENT WITH LYCOMING COUNTY SENIOR CITIZENS. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved Grant & Monitoring Agreement with Lycoming County Senior Citizens in the amount of \$10,000.

2.10 APPROVE PSA WITH CYBERGENETICS. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved professional service agreement with Cybergenetics for the District Attorney's Office on an as needed basis.

2.11 APPROVE PERSONNEL ACTIONS. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved the following personnel actions:
Prison – promotion of Brad A. Shoemaker as full time replacement Warden – Pay grade 14 - \$86,970.79/annually effective 4/22/18.
Prison – promotion of Timothy E. Stutzman as full time replacement Sergeant – Pay grade 9 - \$25.75/hour effective 4/22/18.

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

4.0 BOARD of ASSESSMENT REVISION

4.1 CONVENE BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVISION. Mr. McKernan convened the Board of Assessment Revision at 10:22 a.m.

4.2 APPROVE REAL ESTATE REFUNDS. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved real estate refunds:
Casey & Brady Stopper - 71-012-862 – \$4128.78.
Benjamin Stopper Jr - 71-004-232 – \$3960.88.

4.2 APPROVE REAL ESTATE EXONERATIONS. A motion by Mr. Mirabito and seconded by Mr. Mussare and passed (3-0), approved real estate exonerations:

	Casey & Brady				
71-012-862	Stopper	2406 Reach Rd	1975170	1268200	
71-004-232	Benjamin Stopper Jr	163 Catawissa Ave	1759920	1081700	
59-374-					
154.A-018	Robert Hess	52 Orchard Ave	1970	0	
40-374-		15 Heatherbrooke			
169.B-015	Tri Lateral Investment	Est	3740	0	
57-410-	Matthew Miller &				
125.A-001	Rachel Beaver	3269 Elimsport Rd	11070	0	
23-337-137-		1205 Mordan Hollow			
010	Mike Robbins	Rd Lt 10	9980	0	
39-001-503	Muncy Borough	308 N Main St	109980	0	
15-001-204	Hepburn Township	326 W Creek Rd	70700	0	
34A-007-					
319	Keith & Holly Webster	408 Tule St	105130	0	
64-005-519	Robert Henderson Jr	408 W Edwin St	55480	0	

4.3 ADJOURN BOARD OF ASSESSMENT REVISION. A motion by Mr. Mussare and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (3-0), adjourned the Board of Assessment Revision at 10:33 a.m.

Mr. McKernan reconvened the Commissioners' Meeting at 10:33 a.m.

5.0 REPORTS / INFORMATION ITEMS.

5.1 Kurt Hausammann presented information on Lawshee Run Culvert issues in Jersey Shore.

Joe Hamm, Jersey Shore Borough Manager, said this is the biggest liability that the community has. There was a feasibility study completed that indicated the culvert is deteriorating and needs to be addressed. The entire project is a \$6 million project. The most dire area is \$4 million. This culvert runs under Allegheny Street.

Mr. Mirabito suggested that Penn DoT be brought on board to do the project correctly.

Chad Riley asked if money from the \$5 registration fee could be used toward this project.

Kurt Hausammann responded that this is a stormwater issue, so that money cannot be used toward this.

Mr. Mussare added that Act 13 money can be used for this.

Michael Zellers from Jersey Shore Borough Council added comments about the project.

6.0 COMMISSIONER COMMENT. Mr. McKernan opened the floor to commissioner comment and none were received.

7.0 PUBLIC COMMENT. Mr. McKernan opened the floor to public comment and the following were received:

Todd Lauer of Jersey Shore presented a prepared statement (Attachment A).

The Commissioners explained to Mr. Lauer about the uses of the English Center Bridge and that not just one company uses it, but it is used by several entities.

Michael Zellers from Jersey Shore Borough Council talked about the challenges of bridges in Pennsylvania. PA contains the second largest highway system in the country.

8.0 NEXT REGULARLY SCHEDULED MEETING. Mr. McKernan announced the next regularly scheduled meeting as a regular meeting on Tuesday, April 17, 2018.

9.0 ADJOURN COMMISSIONERS' MEETING. A motion by Mr. Mussare and seconded by Mr. Mirabito and passed (3-0), adjourned the Commissioners' Meeting at 11:16 a.m.

Opioids

4-12-18 A losing battle!

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Where my fellow citizens do we as people of common sense, begin to search for the highly elusive answer to our everpresent opioid pandemic that we face on a daily basis? Some believe God, some believe education, some intervention, and still others believe foolishly that heavy penalties and long terms of incarceration will somehow rid us of this deadly scourge upon our citizens. One Pa. legislator even went so far as to make, the although bold but positive statement that "Pa. should have under control, the opioid pandemic within a decade or so"!

I unfortunately believe however that we will never defeat this problem and will explain my statement a little further into this but non the less we must continue to combat this issue with every means at our disposal for this problem has truly become a "war". Luckily for the citizens of Lyc. Cnty., we have a highly educated, experienced, compassionate, and very willing system of govt and emergency services along with several complimentary programs we are, shall we say "able to keep our heads above water" thus far in this battle to regain our quality of life that was so enjoyed by Lyc. Cnty. citizens up to recently

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We have our district atty. office partnering with emergency services to put naloxone in the hands of our law-enforcement officials while using drug forfeiture money to fund this volunteer program.

What a great program!!!

We have law-enforcement officers apprehending and arresting suspects and dealers at the street level on a 24 hr. basis, riding our communities of these deadly substances along with illegal weapons and other items of crime. They see on a daily basis while putting their lives at risk how it truly is on the "front lines".

What a great bunch!!!

We have a fantastic team of prosecutors and detectives, with Mz. Nicole Ipalitto, Mr. Martin Wade, DA Kenneth Osokow, and Det. Simpler just to name a few, who like ourselves remain extremely vigilant and adamant in the aggressive prosecution in battling this pandemic.

Job well done, keep up the good work!!!

We have (2) fantastic adult probation programs, drug court and the medically assisted program, vivitrol court which I believe is some type of medication administration.

All good reports on this dept!!!

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We have (5) juvenile probation programs that my source indicates are absolutely necessary and vital to the cause. Especially the youth development task force which I believe involves students from Loyalsock and Mountoursville school districts participating in this battle. After all our youth are the ones most at risk and suffer the greatest consequences, for they are truly humanities most valuable renewable resource and future social asset. Now this is a sensible battle plan

Hit em at ground level !!!

We have outstanding judges who are able and willing to ~~show~~ show compassion, and also to recognize defendants who are willing to be amenable to changing of their ways and seek help, while on the other hand able to recognize repeat offenders who have nothing but complete disregard for citizens and society alike, reserving for them 15 and 25 yr terms of incarceration.

How much more honorable can they be !!!

Last but by far not the least we have our (3) county commissioners before us, complete dedicating in combating this pandemic by not only allocating funds for these types of life-saving programs, but also searching feverishly with county employees in locating funding for the continuation of the programs.

Once again commissioners I must applaud you !!!

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JAZ

These are all excellent programs that have stellar department heads and fantastic employees all working tirelessly and relentlessly to help bring about an end to this crisis. Also we must not forget about the hundreds of volunteers working throughout Lyc. Cnty. donating their time and resources fighting parallel with these programs.

Now for the other side of the coin. I am going to prioritize the problems as I see in the order of severity.

- A.) Death by opioids or heroin ^{overdoses} (50 in 48 hrs)
- B.) Destruction of entire families, with long-term physical, emotional, and mental health issues remaining
- C.) Increase in criminal activities (^{murder, assaults} robberies, prostitution etc..)
- D.) HIV/AIDS, hepatitis, STD's etc...
- E.) Social degradation and wasting of funding that could be well used elsewhere
- F.) Produces an overload not only for the courts, EMS and law-enforcement, but also for the taxpayer
- G.) The final problem, when our elected officials are in bed with the huge ^{pharmaceutical} ~~pharmaceutical~~ companies, while all the while telling their constituents they are doing what is right to combat the scourge upon our citizens

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I find it dismal at best when an elected official, who was not only Lye. cntys. district atty. during the height of the crack cocaine epidemic but is now our elected official representative in Wash. DC, but most ominous and troubling of all is that he is also a citizen of Lye. cnty. and witnesses these problems on a daily basis.

I am referring to representative Marino who backed a 2016 law loosening restrictions on Big Pharma companies, to help block the DEA's ability to prevent these drugs from not only reaching our streets but also our children and our schools. After all one of the major causes for our heroin pandemic ~~was~~^{is} overprescribing of opiates.

One would naturally assume that not only as a resident of Lye. cnty. but also our former head prosecutor his stance on this issue would be self-aligning with our citizens but also with the programs I've earlier mentioned involved in this fight. I see now that I was wrong not only in casting my vote for Mr. Marino, but also about his ability to recognize and witness this deadly pandemic upon all of his constituents. I feel that ~~my~~ representative Marino is no longer looking in his back yd. for these problems, but is steadily looking in Wash. DC's front yd. for a much brighter future for himself, while the days remain gloomy and dismal for his constituents here at home in Lye. cnty. and his surrounding district.

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We will never conquer this problem when there is no unison between our elected officials and each other, and our elected officials and the citizens that they were elected to represent. We must all work together on this problem to be victorious. This is why I feel this problem is here to stay and will never be vanquished.

Thank You
Stodd Lauer