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**LYCOMING COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
PUBLIC MEETING MINUTES
Thursday, December 3, 2020
10:00 A.M.**

Present:

**Commissioner Metzger
Commissioner Mussare
Commissioner Mirabito
Director McDermott
Solicitor Wiley- Via Phone**

1.0 OPERATIONS- Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance led by Mr. Metzger.

1.1 Opening Prayer

1.2 Pledge of Allegiance

1.3 Convene Commissioners' Public Meeting

1.4 Approve the Minutes of the Previous Meeting **Mr. Mirabito moved to approve. Mr. Mussare 2nd the motion. Approved 3-0.**

1.5 Public Comment (Agenda Items Only) – **None**

2.0 ACTION ITEMS

2.1 Matthew McDermott- Digger Agreement of Sale - Timber Run Property- Mr. Mirabito moved to approve. Mr. Mussare 2nd the motion. Approved 3-0.

2.2 Beth Johnston- 2021 Budget Adoption: Mr. Mirabito moved to approve. Mr. Mussare 2nd the motion. Approved 3-0.

***RESOLUTION 2020-35 – FIVE YR CAPITAL PLAN- Mr. Mirabito moved to approve. Mr. Mussare 2nd the motion. Approved 3-0.**

***RESOLUTION 2020-36 - 2021 OPERATING BUDGET- Mr. Mirabito moved to approve. Mr. Mussare 2nd the motion. Approved 3-0.**

***RESOLUTION 2020-37 – MILLAGE RATE- Mr. Mussare moved to approve. Mr. Mirabito 2nd the motion. Approved 3-0.**

***RESOLUTION 2020-38 – PREDETERMINED RATIO- Mr. Mussare moved to approve. Mr. Mirabito 2nd the motion. Approved 3-0.**

3.0 COMMISSIONER COMMENT-

Mr. Mussare-

***Regarding City Tax increase- We need to understand we generate money from Brick & Mortar/Small Businesses. Please support Small Business as the Businesses close their doors permanently, taxes will increase. He pleads with Public to shop small/local.**

***PennDot is struggling-Because people are not travelling. This is not just local. It is on a State level too. He is asking the State to make cutbacks.**

***The Building industry has increased. This is positive.**

Mr. Mirabito-

***Feels there will be a lot of crisis over the Holidays. And wants to remind the Public there is help out there. If you need assistance- Call 211 to get a referral to an agency that will best suit your needs.**

Mr. Metzger-

***Wants to reiterate Tony's comment. We need to support our Local Businesses.**

***In addition, announcing that there will be a Press Conference tomorrow (12/4/20).**

–Current Lycoming County COVID-19 Situation by UPMC

- Lycoming County Government Operational Mitigation Changes

- Lycoming County Courthouse Operational Mitigation Changes

- Lycoming County CARES Distributions

4.0 PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mr. McKernan, Williamsport-

Questions:

Timber Run Sale. How much land was there? Answer: 20 acres.

Bonds in the works for next year? Answer: no.

2021 Budget include money for Levee? Answer: \$5 million in budget for Levee. 100% funded by Federal/State.

Online Comments: Bill Fenderson, Linden

Asking for update on Airport and comments on jobs in the area? Answer: Airport is looking for other carriers. American pulling out of the airport is a positive thing for the area. They plan to know more early 2021. Jobs have not been effected by the Airport closing.

Sheriff Lusk:

*Glad to see that Tony is back!

*It's been a tough year on the County Level and believes Lycoming County was the most prepared County in the State. Voter Services most prepared given the circumstances.

*He also believes the Employees got a positive message from the Commissioners by giving everyone an extra paid holiday on Christmas Eve! It was a very powerful message. He wanted to say thank you to the Commissioner and for all their hard work they have done.

5.0 NEXT SCHEDULED MEETING

The next Commissioners Public Meeting will be held on Tuesday December 8, 2020, at 10:00 A.M. in the Commissioner's Briefing Room, 1st Floor, Executive Plaza, 330 Pine Street, Williamsport, PA 17701.

5.0 ADJOURN THE COMMISSIONERS' PUBLIC MEETING

****Please refer to video recording of meeting for more detailed information.**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCSRDCV2YEBfonPDRfPMnEuw/videos>