COMMISSIONERS’ MEETING MINUTES
March 23, 2016

Commissioner Chairman Michael A. Baker called the regular meeting of the Indiana County Commissioners to order at 10:32 a.m. in the Commissioners’ Hearing Room.

ROLL CALL
Chairman Michael A. Baker, present  Commissioner Rodney D. Ruddock, present
Commissioner Sherene Hess, present

Also in attendance were Solicitor Michael T. Clark, Chief Clerk Robin Maryai and others.
Members of the news media present were Randy Wells, Greg Reinbold and Josh Widdowson.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Commissioner Baker led those present in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

APPROVE MINUTES…MARCH 9, 2016
A motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of March 9, 2016 as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT
There was no public comment.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS
There was an Executive Session held on March 22, 2016 at 10:05 a.m. to discuss real estate matters.

PROCLAMATION…CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH
After a proclamation was read by Ms. Hess, a motion was made, seconded by Mr. Ruddock and unanimously carried to proclaim the month of April, 2016 as Child Abuse Prevention Month in Indiana County and urge all citizens to work together to help reduce child abuse and neglect and engage in activities that strengthen families and provide a healthy environment for children to learn, grow and thrive in our community.

Jessica Clark from the Care Center was present to accept the proclamation and thanked the Board for their support. She said the Care Center uses the pinwheel as national symbol of child abuse awareness and every child deserves a safe happy childhood. The pinwheel planting ceremony will be April 1st at noon on the courthouse front lawn and they will be up for the entire month of April.

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE CAMBRIA COUNTY PRISON AND INDIANA COUNTY / JAIL
At the request of Sam Buzzinotti, Warden, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve a Memorandum of Understanding between the Cambria County Prison and Indiana County. Cambria County Prison agrees to house youthful offenders between the ages of 15 and 18 that are criminally charged and adjudicated as adult offenders in Indiana County at the rate of $85.00 per day. It is necessary for Indiana County to
have this agreement in place to be PREA compliant. It is noted that Cambria County is PREA compliant.

**PROPOSAL...RANDALL INDUSTRIES, LLC / JAIL**
At the request of Sam Buzzinotti, Warden, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to accept a proposal from Randall Industries, LLC to provide cost and services related to water testing at the jail. The jail has had issues with corrosion in and around the water pipes. Randall Industries has worked with jails and prisons in the past and has had success in water treatment and how to treat such issues. The proposal would be for the collection of two water samples at the rate of $50.00, the analysis of the samples at the rate of $192.00 per sample and an additional $50.00 per hour for the work necessary to complete the analysis. The total cost of the testing will be approximately $700.00.

**CHILD ACCOUNTY AND PROFILE SYSTEM (CAPS) VERSION 12 UPGRADE / CYS**
At the request of Sarah Ross, Director of Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve an agreement with Avanco International, Inc. for Child Accounting and Profile System (CAPS) which is a data exchange between County Agencies and DPW to establish a statewide database of protection services to collect reports on child abuse and children in need of general protective services. This agreement is for Version 12 upgrades in the amount of $584.42 and the total cost of the upgrade is divided among 55 counties and is to be completed by June, 2016.

**CHILD WELFARE INFORMATION SYSTEM (CWIS) DATA SHARING AGREEMENT UPGRADE /CYS**
At the request of Sarah Ross, Director of Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock and carried unanimously to approve the CWIS Data Sharing Agreement. CWIS is a mandated system that discloses and exchanges certain information to all sixty-seven County Children & Youth Agencies, in accordance to the Child Welfare Act of 1980, the Child Abuse Prevention and Treatment Act and the Child Protective Services Law. This agreement was approved at the March 9th meeting, however, the state left out a paragraph that allows the State to monitor the county’s compliance electronically.

**PRIVATE PROVIDER AGREEMENTS FY 2015-2016 / CYS**
At the request of Sarah Ross, Director of Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve a Private Provider Contract with Adelphoi Village, Latrobe, PA for FY 2015-2016 to provide services to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide placement services.

At the request of Sarah Ross, Director of Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve a Private Provider Contract with The Bair Foundation of Pennsylvania, New Wilmington, PA for FY 2015-2016 to provide services to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide placement services.

At the request of Sarah Ross, Director of Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve a Private Provider Contract with The Children’s Institute of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh, PA for FY 2015-2016 to provide services
to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide placement services.

At the request of Sarah Ross, Director of Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve a Private Provider Contract with Perseus House, Inc., Erie, PA for FY 2015-2016 to provide services to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide placement services.

**RESOLUTION RE-CERTIFYING RLF PROGRAM / PLANNING**
At the request of Angela Campisano, Office of Planning & Development, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to adopt a resolution re-certifying that the Indiana County Revolving Loan Fund is being operated consistent with the existing Economic Development Strategy and is being operated in accordance with the policies and procedures contained in the administrative plan. This is a housekeeping item required by EDA. Our Economic Development Strategy is embodied within the *2040 Transportation and Development Plan for Southwestern Pennsylvania*, which was submitted by SPC and endorsed by EDA.

**HOME PROGRAM 2016 – RESOLUTION TO FILE APPLICATION**
At the request of LuAnn Zak, Office of Planning & Development, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve a Resolution authorizing the submission of an application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development for U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development HOME Program funds. The application request will be for $500,000.00 to continue the County’s Accessibility Modification program for permanently disabled residents. This request includes approval for Commissioner Baker to sign all necessary application forms. Applications are due by March 30, 2016.

**AMAZING KIDS, LLC FOR THE PROVISION OF SPECIALIZED EARLY INTERVENTION THERAPIES FOR DEVELOPMENTALLY DELAYED CHILDREN / BDHP**
At the request of Tammy Calderone, Administrator of Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess, and unanimously carried to approve a contract with Amazing Kids, LLC, for the provision of specialized early intervention therapies for developmentally delayed children. A family has selected in Armstrong County has chosen services from Amazing Kids, LLC and will be funded through allocated base and waiver funding depending on eligibility of the child.

**AMAZING KIDS, LLC FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE STATE’S INFANTS, TODDLERS AND FAMILIES MEDICAID WAIVER PROGRAM / BDHP**
At the request of Tammy Calderone, Administrator of Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess, and unanimously carried to approve a contract with Amazing Kids, LLC, for participation in the State’s Infants, Toddlers and Families Medicaid Waiver Program.
BOARD APPOINTMENT…ARMSTRONG-INDIANA BEHAVIORAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL HEALTH PROGRAM ADVISORY BOARD
At the request of Tammy Calderone, Administrator of Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess, and unanimously carried to approve the appointment of Mark Lapusnak to the Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program Advisory Board; term to expire December 31, 2018.

BOARD APPOINTMENT…TRI-COUNTY WORKFORCE INVESTMENT BOARD
A motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve the board appointment of Jennifer N. Eckels to the Tri-County Workforce Investment Board; term to expire September 30, 2018.

OTHER BUSINESS
There was no other business.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING…APRIL 13, 2016 AT 10:30 A.M.
The next regular scheduled Commissioners’ Public meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 13, 2016 at 10:30 a.m. in the Commissioners’ Hearing Room.

ADJOURNMENT
With no other business to come before the Board at this time, Commissioner Baker adjourned the meeting at 10:50 a.m.

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Sherene Hess, Secretary     Michael A. Baker, Chairman