COMMISSIONERS’ MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 15, 2017

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, Josh Widdowson and Greg Reinbold.

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

APPROVE MINUTES…OCTOBER 25, 2017
A motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of October 25, 2017 as submitted.

PUBLIC COMMENT
Lisa Spencer, Director of the Department of Human Services, announced the 2017 Indiana County Pennsylvania Speaks Up! Survey. The people who plan and provide services in Indiana County would like to know what residents think about living in the county now and what changes should be made in the future. The survey link is www.surveymonkey.com/r/SpeaksUp.

Denise Liggett, Director of the Indiana County Tourist Bureau, announced the 2017 Holiday Happenings list which can be found at www.visitindianacountypa.org.

EXECUTIVE SESSIONS
There were no Executive Sessions.

PROCLAMATION…HONORING OUR INDIANA COUNTY VETERANS
After a proclamation was read by Mr. Ruddock, a motion was made, seconded by Ms. Hess and unanimously carried to proclaim, Saturday, December 9, 2017, as Honor Our Indiana County Veterans Day asking Indiana County residents to support this effort. Wesley Wertz, American Legion Post 141 was present to accept the proclamation and said the goal is to place a fresh evergreen wreath at the entrance of each Indiana County cemetery to honor our Indiana County Veterans who sacrificed so much. Mr. Wertz said that a ceremonial wreath will be laid at the Indiana County Courthouse Veteran’s Wall and Churches throughout Indiana County are encouraged to ring their church bells at noon on December 9th.

VEHICLE PURCHASE…TRI-STAR MOTORS / TAX ASSESSMENT
At the request of Frank Sisko, Chief Assessor, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve the purchase under state contract pricing of a 2017
Ford Explorer from Tri Star Motors, Blairsville, PA in the amount of $28,492.00. This includes trade-in of a 2008 Ford Explorer in the amount of $300.00.

**AMENDMENT NO. 1…FEDERAL ENGINEERING / EMA**

At the request of John Pividori, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve Amendment No. 1 with the Federal Engineering extending the current contract through December 31, 2018. Mr. Pividori explained that over the last several years, Federal Engineering has assisted with the Banks Township site lease for Verizon Wireless and RedNET deployments at the Blue Spruce, Strong’s Hill and Senex tower sites. This is a not to exceed $10,000.00 contract. The motion also allows Mr. Baker be authorized to sign this contract.

**2017-2018 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS RESPONSE FUND GRANT / EMA**

At the request of John Pividori, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve the 2017-2018 Hazardous Materials Response Fund Grant in the amount of $5,861.92. Historically, the LEPC has dedicated these funds to offsetting the cost of the HAZMAT Team’s professional liability and emergency vehicle insurance coverages averaging $25,000.00 annually. There has been a considerable decrease in the grant and they will continue to work with PEMA to further define the reporting of the Tier-II chemicals and Facility Plans in an effort to increase the funding opportunity.

**LEASE AGREEMENT…REDNET, INC. / EMA**

At the request of John Pividori, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve a lease agreement with RedNET, Inc. for the deployment of the local Public Access Broadband at the Senex Site outside of Plumville Borough. This lease will require RedNET to pay the onetime fee of $1,500.00 for coverage of the county’s costs for consulting engineers. The annual rent payment, is $8,616.00 with a 2% annual increase. The contract also allows for four automatic, five-year renewals at the currently negotiated pricing and deployment.

**RADIO PURCHASE…MOTOROLA, SOLUTIONS / EMA**

At the request of John Pividori, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve a radio purchase from Motorola Solutions for WAVE 5000 and associated “All-band” APX-8500 radios. This package of equipment is the radio communications platform for the new mobile command and control on the ICORRS network and frequencies in operation with Region-13. This product is server based and provides dispatcher console operation similar to that of the 9-1-1 Center. The purchase of this WAVE package will be spread over two years of 9-1-1 Funding in the amount of $199,778.00.

**NALOXONE DISTRIBUTION AGREEMENT / CYS**

At the request of Sarah Ross, Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve a Naloxone Distribution Agreement between Dr. Roderick B. Groomes, MD, Armstrong-Indiana-Clarion Drug and Alcohol Commission, Inc. and Indiana County. This agreement permits Dr. Groomes to prescribe naloxone to the AIC Drug and Alcohol Commission, Inc. for distribution to CYS and individuals who have entered into this agreement with AIC Drug and Alcohol Commission, Inc. pursuant to
the requirements of Act 139 of 2014. Naloxone can only be distributed, provided to, and administered by individuals who received Overdose Prevention Training and materials.

**PRIVATE PROVIDER AGREEMENTS FY 16-17 / CYS**
At the request of Sarah Ross, Director of Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock, and unanimously carried to approve a Private Provider Contract with Family Care Services, Inc., Chambersburg, PA for FY 2016-2017 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 Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock, and unanimously carried to approve a Private Provider Contract with VisionQust, National, Ltd., Tucson, AZ for FY 2016-2017 to provide services to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide placement services.

**PRIVATE PROVIDER AGREEMENTS FY 17-18 / 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 Great Expectations Day Care, Blairsville, PA for FY 2017-2018 to provide services to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide non-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 Indiana County Child DayCare, Inc., Indiana, PA for FY 2017-2018 to provide services to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide non-placement services.

At the request of Sarah Ross, Director of Children & Youth Services, a motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock, and unanimously carried to approve a Private Provider Contract with Terry O’Hara, Pittsburgh, PA for FY 2017-2018 to provide services to Children & Youth Services and Juvenile Probation on an as needed basis. They provide non-placement services.

**AGREEMENT BAYADA HOME HEALTH CARE / BDHP**
At the request of Tammy Calderone, Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve an agreement with Bayada Home Health Care to provide companion services for a consumer who has selected them. This will be funded through the Behavioral Health and Intellectual Base Funds. The contract terms will expire on June 30, 2018.

**BRADFORD AND SULLIVAN COUNTY JOINDER / BDHP**
At the request of Tammy Calderone, Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve a Bradford and Sullivan County Joinder. They provide supports coordination services
for two consumers. This will be funded through the Behavioral Health and Intellectual Base Funds. The contract terms will expire on June 30, 2018. This will be funded through the Behavioral Health and Intellectual Base Funds.

AGREEMENT…SOUTHWEST BEHAVIORAL HEALTH MANAGEMENT, INC. / BDHP
At the request of Tammy Calderone, Armstrong-Indiana Behavioral and Developmental Health Program, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve an agreement with Southwest Behavioral Health Management, Inc. provides oversight of the HealthChoices Behavioral Health Program. This contract outlines BDHP’s responsibilities in performing the oversight and management functions for HealthChoices. This is an extension of the current agreement beginning January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2020. During the three years BDHP will receive administrative funds to offset costs for the services provided in the amount of approximately $850,000.00.

AGREEMENT…PRIMECARE / JAIL
At the request of Sam Buzzinotti, Warden, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve a five-year agreement with Primecare Medical, Inc. beginning January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2022. Cost the first year of the contract is $697,393.93 with a not to exceed 4% increase the following years. The purpose of this contract is to provide healthcare services to inmates at the jail.

A motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve option two of the contract adding a Dental Suite at the Jail. The total cost of the expenses will be $18,962.20.

RESOLUTION – 2017 INDIANA COUNTY CDBG PROJECT SCOPE AND 3-YR PLAN / PLANNING
At the request of LuAnn Zak, Office of Planning and Development requests, a motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock and carried unanimously to approve a resolution approving the project scope and three-year plan of the County-wide needs priorities for the 2017 Non-Entitlement CDBG application. Indiana County will submit two separate activities for funding. Indiana County’s projects are the Murphy Building Clearance and Demolition Project in Blairsville Borough and the Ernest Borough Acquisition and Demolition Projects. The 2017 Indiana County Entitlement is $251,315.00 and is due to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development by December 8, 2017. All citizen participation requirements for project development and selection were completed as required.

FILING RESOLUTION – 2017 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT ENTITLEMENT APPLICATIONS / PLANNING
At the request of LuAnn Zak, Office of Planning and Development, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to adopt a resolution authorizing the filing of the 2017 Community Development Block Grant Entitlement application to the Pennsylvania Department of Community and Economic Development by the deadline date of December 8, 2017. The application submission includes Indiana County’s CDBG Entitlement and the three entitlement communities of Indiana Borough, and the Townships of Burrell and
FORMAL APPROVAL – PROPERTY OFFER / PLANNING
At the request of LuAnn Zak, Office of Planning & Development and on behalf of the White Township Municipal Authority, a motion was made by Mr. Ruddock, seconded by Ms. Hess and carried unanimously to approve a formal offer being made to Consol Energy Inc. for property and right-of-way acquisition. This motion also includes approval for Mr. Baker to sign the formal offer letter. These proposed acquisitions are for the construction of the Fulton Run Alternative Sewer System to serve the Village of Fulton Run in White Township. Indiana County has allocated Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) funds for the project with local funds from the White Township Municipal Authority completing the financial package. The system is being constructed to eliminate existing malfunctioning on-lot septic systems.

A site has been identified for acquisition to locate the sewage treatment facility. A formal appraisal of the site was completed and a fair market value has been determined. The fair market value is the amount of the proposed offer. The offer is being made in accordance with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act for voluntary acquisition of property through the CDBG program.

The formal offer proposal includes a separate amount for the purchase of permanent and temporary rights-of-way for construction of the sewer system lines. The amount offered for the right-of-ways is based on White Township Municipal Authority’s policy and procedures for such offers.

BOARD APPOINTMENT…CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD
A motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock and carried unanimously to approve the appointment of the following members to the Conservation District Board

- Beth Marshall as Farmer Director; term to expire December 31, 2021
- Janis B. Long as Public Director; term to expire December 31, 2021
- J. Scott Overdorff as Farmer Director; term to expire December 31, 2018

BOARD APPOINTMENT…CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD
A motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Baker and carried unanimously to approve the appointment of Rodney Ruddock as Commissioner member to the Conservation District Board; term to expire December 31, 2018.

SALE OF SURPLUS VEHICLES
At the request of Robin Maryai, Chief Clerk, a motion was made by Ms. Hess, seconded by Mr. Ruddock and carried unanimously to approve the sale of the following items as surplus:

- 1987 Orion Bus
- 2002 Ford Explorer
COURTHOUSE CLOSED…THURSDAY AND FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 23 & 24, 2017
THANKSGIVING DAY HOLIDAY
Commissioner Baker announced that the courthouse will be closed on Thursday and Friday, November 23 & 24, 2017 in observance of the Thanksgiving Day Holiday.

OTHER BUSINESS
Commissioner Ruddock offered comment regarding the closing of Wyotech saying that it will be a significant loss for the county. There have been many efforts made to reclaim that organization in some other capacity. Mr. Ruddock also said that Byron Stauffer from the Office of Planning & Development traveled to Philadelphia, PA this week regarding businesses coming to Windy Ridge Park.

Commissioner Hess thanked the election team for a very well-run election on November 7, 2017. She also thanked the poll workers for their many hours at the polls.

NEXT REGULAR MEETING…NOVEMBER 15, 2017 AT 10:30 A.M.
The next regular scheduled Commissioners’ Public meeting will be held on Wednesday, November 15, 2017 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 11:15 a.m.

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Sherene Hess, Secretary            Michael A. Baker, Chairman