The Crawford County Commissioners met on Thursday, January 15, 2015, for a regular meeting with the following present:

Francis F. Weiderspahn, Jr. Chairman

 Jack P. Lynch Commissioner

 C. Sherman Allen Commissioner (\*by phone)

 Cheri Porter-Jackson Chief Clerk

 Gina Chatfield Deputy Chief Clerk

 Keith Button, Esq. Solicitor

 Denise Mason Finance Clerk

 Mark Lessig County Administrator

 Christine Krzysiak County Treasurer

 Mark Weindorf Human Services Director

Susan Lotarski Human Resources Director

Justin Johnson Care Center Director of Environmental Services

Tim Kelley Director of Information Technology

Amanda Chapel Planning Assistant

James Babcock District Manager Conservation District

Francis J. Shultz District Attorney

Nick Hoke Sheriff

Dayton Church Deputy Sheriff

Brendan Peters Deputy Sheriff

Christopher & Lori Soff Mayor of Meadville & Spouse

Kevin McGrath Linesville Borough Council

Keith Gushard Meadville Tribune

 Jeff Cory Armstrong

 Mark Heim Stream Media

 Andy Alm Forever Broadcasting

 Randy Mason Citizen

 Denis Alexatos Citizen

 Sam Byrd Citizen

 Gary Richardson Citizen

 Patricia Gillette Citizen

 Mike Gionti Citizen

 Anthony Tait Citizen

 Brenda Bradley Citizen

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. Weiderspahn announced that there was an Executive Session on January 12, 2015, regarding personnel.

Public Comment:

There were no public comments at this time.

Official Business:

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the minutes from the meetings on December 18 and the reconvene of December 18 meeting held on December 31, 2014. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carried.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the minutes of the Work Sessions from January 6 and January 12, 2015. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carried.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the payment of bills in the amount of $1,689,994.36 for the period ending January 14, 2015. Mr. Allen seconded the motion and it carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Resolution directing the investment of the $11 million dollars of formerly restricted funds, with CS McKee, Mercer County State Bank and PLIGIT. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the purchase request for Licensing with Sophos Full Guard for the High Availability Firewalls from CDW-G at a cost of $5,607.16. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the payment of the Porter Consulting & Engineers Invoice in the amount of $2,113.57 for the Care Center HVAC Project. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Elimination of the Erosion and Sediment Technician position. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Creation of the Senior Resource Conservation Technician position. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the creation of a Resource Conservation Technician position. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the application for a Competitive CDBG Grant on behalf of Linesville Borough in the amount of $750,000. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the payment to Pashek Associates LTD for the completion of the Crawford County Comprehensive Plan at a cost of $2,622.00, which is the final payment in this matter. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the contract with ACS & CoreLogic for the sale of 2015 images with a credit towards the annual ACS bill of $2,550.00. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the LEPC approved Purchase Request for the BullEx Split Pipe Flange Fire System for the Crawford-Venango Fire School Grounds at a cost of $21,670.00. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the LEPC approved Training Request for the “Hoarder Homes: Piles of Hazards for Firefighters” course at Conneaut Lake Park VFD on March 28, 2015 at a cost of $2,600.00. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to ratify the BAMS Claims Agreement for processing of run out claims filed prior to October 1, 2014 at a cost of $3,500 per year for 3 years. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Quality Living Center 1st Quarter appropriation for 2015 in the amount of $62,107.50. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the 2015 budgeted funding request from the Crawford County Regional Airport Authority in the amount of $60,000.00. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the 2015 budgeted funding request from Active Aging, Inc. in the amount of $16,576. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the 2015 budgeted funding request from Conneaut Valley Economical & Industrial Development Authority in the amount of $5,000. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Kronos Check Request in the amount of $2,400 for one day training for 4 employees. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Human Services Block Grant Income & Expenditure (Revision) Report for FY 2013/2014. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the CYS contracts with Children’s Aid Society of Mercer County and Mon Yough Community Services, Inc. for FY 2014/2015. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Human Services Professional Services Contracts with the following:

 ABC Pediatric Therapy, LLC

 Craig Psychology Associates, Inc.

 Dennis M. McGlynn

 Martha Lyter Jones/Family Development Services

 Rachel Balombini D/B/A Sign Language Services

 Wagner Behavioral Health Services, LLC

 Christopher D. Ferry, Esquire ~ Watts & Pepicelli, P.C.

All contracts are for FY 2014/2015. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the Human Services purchase request for 6 Surface Pro Tablets in the amount of $11,709.75. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carries. The above 3 items contracts list is attached hereto.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to ratify the Crown Benefits bill for the week ending December 26, 2014 in the amount of $174,451.18. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Allen made a motion to ratify the Crown Benefits Bill for the week ending January 2, 2015 in the amount of $68,661.63. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the payment of the Svetz Energy Services 1st Quarter Invoice in the amount of $1,714.00. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Resolution 2015-1 defining the order and authority of the Board of Commissioners to execute documents on behalf of Crawford County. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve Amendment J to Agreement No. 010J28 (Mead Ave Bridge), changing the costs from $11,114,831.80 to $11,193,331.79. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Northwest Commission Invoice for 2015 Membership Dues in the amount of $5,512. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the Letter of Engagement with Watts & Pepicelli, P.C. for work on the Crawford County Zoning Variance Application 911 Center, Arch Street. Mr. Lynch requested that the matter be tabled for further discussion, and the motion to approve was rescinded.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Letter of Engagement with Watts & Pepicelli, P.C. for the work on the Crawford County et al v. Trustees of Conneaut Lake Park, Execution No. 2014-197; Park Restoration LLC v. Crawford County et al, Civil Action No. 2013-166. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Letter of Engagement with Watts & Pepicelli, P.C. for the work on the Crawford County v. Denis Edward Alexatos, et al., Condemnation No. AD 2013-221; and Crawford County v. Lincoln Metals, Condemnation No. AD 2014-146. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Lynch made a motion to approve the Letter of Engagement with Watts & Pepicelli, P.C. for the work as Crawford County Adjunct Labor Counsel on an as needed basis. Mr. Allen seconded and the motion carries.

Mr. Allen made a motion to approve the attached New Hires/Transfers packet. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carries.

Public Comment:

Mr. Alexatos stated his concerns regarding the 911 Call Center and the Talon Building Demolition.

Mr. Byrd states his concerns regarding the money set aside for the 911 Call Center, the historical Jail budget and the Investment allocations.

Ms. Gillette stated her concerns regarding the Public Comment Policy and the demolition of property around the Diamond Park.

Mr. McGrath stated his concerns regarding the Linesville Borough Blight Project and his request for funding.

Mr. Lessig introduced and read the proposed Public Comment Policy (attached), and noted that hard copies are available to the public, in the Commissioner’s office.

With no further matters to discuss, Mr. Allen made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Lynch seconded and the motion carries.

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 Francis F. Weiderspahn, Jr., Chairman

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 Jack P. Lynch, Commissioner

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 C. Sherman Allen, Commissioner