ERIE COUNTY BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION

MEETING AGENDA

TUESDAY, MARCH 18, 2025

10:00 A.M. – ERIE COUNTY OFFICE BUILDING

Call meeting to Order - Co-Chairman Jeff Krabill and Co-Chairman Mike Parker

Commission Roll Call - Co-Chairman

Approval of Minutes

Purpose of the Meeting – Lead Subcommittee members Lisa Crescimano and Tom Forster. To provide insights into ways public entities can work together to be more cost efficient with purchasing and procurement.

- The County's political subdivisions existing procurement, purchasing and contracting policies.
 - How do they make current purchasing decisions?
 - Can we streamline and improve the County's political subdivisions procurement, purchasing, and contracting functions and outcomes
 - Do the current practices result in increased costs and delays
- Review of contracts with the State of Ohio Co-Op, for example, who utilizes the State of Ohio Co-Op? State contracts available are:
 - o Agricultural Chemicals, Seeds and Equipment
 - o Ammunition, Firearms, Less-Lethal Munitions, Related Law Enforcement Supplies and Vehicles
 - Computer Hardware, Software and IT Services
 - Copiers: Lease, Own, Pay per Copy
 - Fuels: Gasoline/Ethanol Blend, Unleaded Regular and Fuel Oils, Heating and Diesel
 - Office Furniture, Flooring
 - Propane Gas: Bulk, Cylinder
 - Salt: Table, Water, Softening, Ice Removal and Calcium Chloride
 - o Vehicles: SUVs, Sedans, Specialty, Trucks
- Does any political subdivision use a Co-Op other than the State of Ohio?
- How do we increase communication about procurements and the procurement process?
- Are we ready to go the distance with procurement?

Closing Remarks by Commission Members

Action Items As Needed

Adjourn

Next Meeting: 11:00 AM Tuesday, March 25, 2025 Erie County Downtown Office Building, 247 Columbus Avenue, 3rd Floor Commission Chambers Topic: Information Technology Ms. Balconi Ghezzi and Mr. Tucker, Facilitators