ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING MEMBERSHIP

ORDINANCE # 1 of 2004

AN ORDIANNCE AUTHORIZING INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION BY ESTABLISHING MEMBERSHIP IN THE LAWRENCE COUNTY REGIONAL COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS AND ESTABLISHING THE CONDITION OF SAID MEMBERSHIP PURSUANT TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF ACT 180 OF 1972, 53 P.S. 481 – 490, AS AMENDED, OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA.

- WHEREAS, Action 180 of 1972, P.S. 481-490, repealed absolutely the Act of May 21, 1943, (P.L. 340), 53 P.S. 471 ET SEQ., and became the law governing intergovernmental cooperation within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; and,
- WHEREAS, Membership in the Lawrence County Regional Council of Governments is the agency Shenango Township Board of Supervisors, has adopted to cooperate with other governmental or quasi-government units in the execution of those municipal functions deemed by Shenango Township Board of Supervisors, to be accomplished best through cooperation with other governments or quasi-governmental units; and,
- WHEREAS, ACT 180 of 1972, 53 P.S. 481-490 intends that full recognition by the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania of an agent of intergovernmental cooperation requires said agent to be established by Ordinance by all cooperating units of government; and
- WHEREAS, Shenango Township Board of Supervisors, desires the Lawrence County Regional Council of Governments to be as useful as possible to Shenango Township and the residents thereof;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDINED AND ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE BODY OF THE SHENANGO TOWNSHIP BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, IN A REGULAR MEETING DULY ASSEMBLED, AND IT IS HEREBY ORDAINED AND ENACTED BY AUTHORITY OF THE SAME:

Section 1. Membership

That Shenango Township Board of Supervisors join and be a member of the Lawrence County Regional Council of Governments.

Section 2. Conditions of Agreement

That no action taken by the Lawrence County Regional Council of Governments which creates a legal obligation, whether it be contractual, financial or otherwise upon a member municipality shall be binding upon a member municipality affected unless recommended by the Lawrence County Regional Council of Governments, according to the procedure set forth in the appropriate municipal code and laws of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Section 3. Duration of Term

That this agreement stand in perpetuity.

Section 4. Purpose and Objectives

That the Lawrence County Regional Council of Governments shall assist the member municipalities individually and collectively to execute their governmental responsibilities in as efficient and responsible a manner as possible; further that the Lawrence County Regional Council of Governments shall undertake such other projects related to municipal governments as the Board of Directors may direct, subject to the provisions of Section 2.

Section 5. Manner and Extent of Financing

That the Lawrence County Regional Council of Governments be financed by annual dues paid by member municipalities and by funds obtained by the organization from public or private sources.

Section 6. Organizational Structure

That the Lawrence County Regional Council of Governments be the Agent for the Shenango Township Board of Supervisors, in matters pertaining to this Agreement; that a Legislative officer of each municipality be representative of the Lawrence County Regional Council of Governments, there shall also be appointed an alternate (s) from among the legislative body of the municipality to represent him (her) fully in his (her) absence; and that the officers of the Lawrence County Regional Council of Governments be authorized to act as they deem necessary, in accordance with its Bylaws; subject to Section 2 and to Section 5.

Section 7. Acquisition/Management/Disposal of Property

The real of personal property necessary to implement this Agreement be acquired, managed and disposed by the Lawrence County Regional Council of Governments, in accordance with the Bylaws of the Council of Governments and any laws or contracts which apply.

Section 8. Bylaws

That the Bylaws of the Lawrence County Regional Council of Governments attached hereto and made a part hereof and hereby approved.

ORDAINED AND ENACTED THIS TWELTH DAY OF FEBRUARY, 2004

	Lair A. Herman, Chairman
ATTEST:	Sherry Hehr
Brian D. Janner	Sherry Wehr, Vice-Chairman
	William A. Albertini, Supervisor
REVIEWED AND APPROVED THIS	DAY OF , 2004
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Attest:	