

RESOLUTION

NO: 2018-03-045

LIVINGSTON COUNTY

DATE: March 5, 2018

Resolution Authorizing the Sheriff's Office to Enter a Lease Agreement for Jail Radios – Sheriff-Jail

- WHEREAS,** due to illegal broadcasting occurring on the jail radio frequency; and
- WHEREAS,** this illegal activity interferes with jail operations and can negatively affect officer safety; and
- WHEREAS,** these illegal broadcasts have included threats against staff and racist language; and
- WHEREAS,** despite an investigation with assistance from the FCC and FBI the perpetrators have not been located and the broadcasts continue; and
- WHEREAS,** the acquisition of a digital radio system allows full encryption of our system; and
- WHEREAS,** such encryption would eliminate the ability of someone to illegally broadcast on the jail frequency; and
- WHEREAS,** the option of a five year lease of radio equipment is the most cost effective option compared to purchase; and
- WHEREAS,** the lease covers all maintenance and allows for a future upgrade to new equipment; and
- WHEREAS,** the annual cost of the lease would not exceed \$18,000; and
- WHEREAS,** there are sufficient funds in the current budget to cover the 2018 prorated cost of the lease.

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Livingston County Board of Commissioners hereby approve the sheriff to enter into a five-year lease agreement with ComSource Incorporated for the acquisition of a digital radio system for use at the jail. The monthly cost of the lease is not to exceed \$1500.00.

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MOVED: Commissioner Childs
SECONDED: Commissioner Griffith
CARRIED: 7-0-2