

**WARREN CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 6, 2018 – 5:30 PM**

OPENING OF MEETING

Mayor Cashman presided over the November 6, 2018 special meeting of Warren City Council in Council Chambers of the Municipal Building.

ROLL CALL

Members present were: Mayor Maurice Cashman, Gregory Fraser, Paul Giannini, Philip Gilbert, and James A. Zavinski, Sr. Richard Kolcharno was absent. Members of City Staff present were Nancy Freenock, City Manager; David Hildebrand, Planner/Development Administrator; Michael Holtz, DPW Director; and Donna Risinger, Finance Officer.

VISITORS:

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- Ed Fosnaught: Governor's Center for Local Government Services (DCED)
- Gerald (Gerry) Cross: Pennsylvania Economy League
- Lynne Shedlock: Pennsylvania Economy League
- Josh Cotton: Times Observer Reporter

PRESENTATION OF EARLY INTERVENTION PLAN

Gerald Cross, Executive Director of the Central Division of the Pennsylvania Economy League, and Lynn Shedlock, Communications Director/Research Associate of the League provided an overview of the draft Early Intervention Plan (EIP) as it pertains to demographics and finance. Mr. Cross noted that financial projections were based on a "worst case scenario" which assumes that no changes are made. He further noted that relatively small changes that are made now may have a significant economic impact in the future.

It was stated that the EIP is the first phase within the Early Intervention Program. Ed Fosnaught, Local Government Specialist with the Governor's Center for Local Government (a division of the Department of Community and Economic Development), indicated that the strong point of the Program is the phases which follow development of the EIP. Progression to Phase Two will provide grant opportunities and the means to implement ideas and solutions to improve the City's financial standing.

It is anticipated that the EIP will be finalized by the close of 2018.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before Council, Mayor Cashman declared the meeting adjourned.